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# Making Powerful Connections through Connected Learning



Connected learning is very much a part of the Senior Honors Capstone Projects, as Keith Tower '05 and Heidi Hanna '05 explain during their final presentations.

The cornerstone of a robust academic experience at Lasell remains connected learning. This unique and challenging concept, which combines theory learned in the classroom with experiences in real-life settings and situations, is one of the academic innovations on which Lasell has built its reputation.

At the very core of the Lasell curriculum, connected learning encourages students inside and outside the classroom to 'taste and see' what their chosen professions are like, and reinforces what they have learned in their formal learning environment. Like the Lakota Sioux proverb, "tell me and I will forget, show me and I will remember," connected learning allows students to directly participate and experience, so they can "try on" a career without assuming the real-world risks.

For instance, the article on connected learning and internships (page 4), which is the featured piece in this issue of *LEAVES*, was researched and written by Maha Al-shoaibi '05 — whose goal it is to become a print journalist in her homeland of Saudi Arabia. The article was part of her intensive semester-long internship in the Lasell Office of Communications.

Connected learning, which flows through the entire fabric of Lasell's curriculum, is as exciting for faculty as it is for students, because together they experience expanded and unexpected opportunities for learning.

This special issue on connected learning gives readers their own taste of how students with solid academic credentials garner extraordinary professional opportunities from an experience-rich academic program that truly sets Lasell apart.

#### Still Enthusiastic After All These Years

# Joe Aieta is named Fourth Joan Weiler Arnow Professor



Arnow Professor Joe Aieta.

Amiable historian and philosopher Professor Joe Aieta, who has been a beloved presence on the campus of Lasell for 36 years, considers his tenure at the college reward enough. He is, he readily admits, passionate about teaching and ardent about his long affiliation with the College.

So it was with joyful astonishment that the good professor discovered that it was he who was to be the new 2005 Joan Weiler Arnow Professor, an endowed, three-year appointment that allows the chosen faculty member to pursue his or her academic interests in what amounts to a learning nirvana for scholars.

"Surprised? Actually, I was flabbergasted," says Joe. "Jim Ostrow, Vice President for Academic Affairs, informed me in October, and asked me not to say anything until he announced it at graduation. For once in my life I kept my mouth shut," he laughs.

"I recommended Joe for the professorship to President Tom de Witt following consultation with the Deans," reports Jim Ostrow. "The sole criterion is: 'a scholar-teacher whose commitment to innovative pedagogy and personal interest in students will broaden the learning process and make a significant contribution to the overall Lasell Community." The Professorship carries an annual professional development stipend so that the faculty member can pursue academic interests in his/her discipline.

"Joe was chosen because of his history of and continuing commitment to productive scholarship in his field, which includes, but is not limited to, the scholarship of teaching. He has an excellent record of publication (articles and book reviews), presentations, and development grants from the National Endowment of Humanities. Joe is the fourth Arnow Professor — Kerri Heffernan was the first, then Sylvia MacPhee, followed by Linda Bruenjes, and now Joe," says Ostrow.

For Joe Aieta, the professorship allows him the luxury of time — not to garden or frolic on idyllic seashores. Oh, no. His use of time will be firmly focused on completing more research on two beloved projects, which he will pursue with his customary fervor at Harvard's Widener Library.

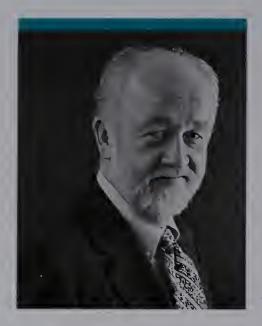
"I have a couple of ongoing projects on which I'll be working during sabbatical next spring, with the intention of bringing them to some sort of meaningful conclusion," he offers. "The first involves reinterpreting the diary of Lady Margaret Hoby, 1571-1633, the first such document of an English Puritan woman writer of the sixteenth century." Joe Aieta believes she was very much a woman ahead of her time.

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# Message from the President



Dear Friends.

This issue of the *LEAVES* features connected learning, our signature curricular response to the changes in pedagogy, student (and parent) expectations and to the demands of the marketplace. The idea of using connections as a way to describe a different approach

to teaching and learning emerged in 1988-89, my first year as president, as Lasell Junior College began to develop more "hands-on" training centers: first the teaching daycare center at the Barn and then a commercial travel agency — in addition to the existing Rockwell nursery school and the allied health laboratories.

Initially, connected learning offered an opportunity to differentiate our approach to educating women from other competing institutions. At Lasell, women learned through the connections they made to each other, borrowing from established research that showed women tended to be more collaborative than competitive in the classroom. We were also making real connections to the world of work through our on-site labs and off-campus internships. We often talked and wrote about how our students learned in the classroom and outside it, putting theories to practice and thereby enhancing both their education by making it more

meaningful and their prospects for good jobs.

Over time, Lasell changed and so did our curricular design, but our commitment to connected learning remained steadfast, eschewing pressure to find a snazzier branding image. The concept did evolve as we became a co-educational institution. We emphasized team work and refined experiential learning into project-based coursework, again to distinguish Lasell from institutions such as Northeastern with their trademark cooperative education. Instead of working with one employer for a semester, which lengthened the baccalaureate degree, our students had several different experiences during the academic year, both on and off campus. As we say in our promotional material, our students graduate with a degree and a resume.

I believe connected learning has contributed to our recent enrollment success. While we continue to require the strong reasoning, writing, problemsolving, and technological skills acquired through a liberal arts education, we also offer good job prospects for those students who work hard and learn the requisite professional skills. The articles in this issue highlight some of our connected learning experiences and challenge us to expand our Career Service network so that Lasell can continue to deliver on its promises.

Please remain "connected" to Lasell and share your experiences with us. As always, I welcome your comments.

Sincerely,

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Thomas E.J. de Witt, Ph.D.

#### **Lasell Board Activity**

# New Trustees, Overseer, and Corporator Elected

Effective this October, Lasell College will be welcoming three new members to the Board of Trustees, one new member to the Board of Overseers, and a new Corporator.

#### **Board of Trustees**



Elmer Bartek is the Account Director for Strategic and Emerging Accounts for Computer Associates International, Inc.

in Framingham, MA. His focus is concentrated on technology solutions within the bio-tech, financial services, and higher-education verticals in New England. A successful, results-oriented professional, he has over 20 years of experience in the sales of software and services, with both domestic and international experience.

A graduate of Boston College, Dr.
Bartek was also awarded an M.S. and
a Ph.D., with a concentration in
Educational Research, Measurement
and Evaluation, from this institution.
He is a resident of Waban, MA and
actively serves on the Financial Services
Advisory Committee and the Life &
Health Sciences Advisory Committee
for the New England Business &
Technology Association.



Vice President for Information Technology at JP Morgan Chase, Kevin Murphy is responsible for development and

support of numerous global applications within JP Morgan Treasury & Security Services and Investor Services. Prior to this position, Kevin was the CIO of LifeMetrix, based in McLean, VA with operations across the U.S. With 24 years of experience in Information Technology, Mr. Murphy has managed all phases of MIS and technology. Among his accomplishments at JP Morgan Chase are the design and development of a new vision of IT within Investor Services Boston and he is currently overseeing a total refresh of technology infrastructure, network, and engineering within his division.

Mr. Murphy graduated cum laude from Franklin Pierce College with a Bachelor of Science in Business. He also received honors in the Management Program.



Ellen Offner is an independent consultant with extensive experience in the management of large, complex programs in health

care organizations and universities. Currently she is consulting to the University of Michigan, staffing a

presidential task force seeking ways to improve the health care of the university community. At the M.I.T. Medical Department, she was director of Health Plans, Finance, Marketing and Planning, managing the health plans for faculty, staff, and students and overseeing the finances, strategic planning, and marketing of the Medical Department, a multi-specialty group practice. She has also worked for Harvard Pilgrim Health Care. During her time there, she was Vice President for Medicare Programs, where she created and managed First Seniority, Vice President for Product Development and Management, and Director of Strategic Planning and Business Development.

Ms. Offner graduated from Barnard College and received her M.B.A. in public and nonprofit management from Boston University. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America and the Western Hemisphere Regional Council of the International Planned Parenthood Federation.

#### **Board of Overseers**



The Reverend Mr.
Roger C. Moulton
has been intimately
connected to Lasell
since his daughter,
Pam, became a student at the College.

He was impressed with the experience

she had and the thoughtful way she was treated from her initial application through her graduation.

The Reverend Mr. Moulton is a graduate of Babson College and worked at Price Waterhouse and Necco before entering Episcopal Theological Seminary and earning his Master of Divinity. He greatly enjoys the privilege of participating as clergy in Lasell's Commencement program and has been a generous benefactor to the College.

#### Corporator



Jewell Ward Ganger '49 has kept close ties to Lasell. While at the College, she was a member of the Orphean Club and met her hus-

band, Jon, at a glee club concert that was held with M.I.T. She also helped plan the annual June Fete and Fashion Show and, showing her continued interest, she recently made a donation of some pieces to Lasell's Goodwill Fashion Collection.

The Gangers reside in Duxbury, MA and are gardeners and avid world travelers. They are leadership Annual Fund donors and strong supporters of the College.

# **College Update**

#### New Emphasis on Lasell Ambassadorship

# Reinvigorated Board of Overseers Takes On Challenge

The Board of Overseers was established in 1991 to identify alumni and friends who could serve as ambassadors of Lasell to the community at large. The Board also provides a way to identify individuals who might be "groomed" for the Board of Trustees. A person's engagement on the Board of Overseers is an indication of how committed they are to the institution. Members of the Board of Overseers, who are appointed by the Board of Trustees, are invited to sit on Trustee standing and ad hoc committees, although they do not have voting privileges. Overseers are also invited to the annual meeting of the Boards (Trustees, Overseers, Corporators) every October.

In 2004, the Committee on Trustees, under the leadership of Chairman Alan H. Robbins, decided that Overseers were not fully engaged in the activities of the College and moved to empower them with more responsibilities. The goal was to make their involvement with Lasell more meaningful, to engage them more in its day-to-day life, and to enhance their experience as Overseers.

For the first time, officers were elected to the Board of Overseers: Robin Parry, as Chairman, Helena Hartnett as Vice Chairman, and Jackie Hoffmeier Lard '68, as Secretary. The By-laws of the Board of Trustees were then changed so that the Chairman of the Board of Overseers serves as an ex officio member of the Board of Trustees, thereby creating an important link between the two boards.

Since those elections were held in January 2004, the Board of Overseers has taken its new set of responsibilities quite seriously. The first annual Board of Overseers meeting was held on June 23, 2004. The first charge as Overseers was to develop a new Mission Statement and new Roles and Responsibilities.

The new mission reads: to support
Lasell College, the Board of Trustees
and senior management in the advancement of the educational mission with
advice, expertise and resources. Further,
as ambassadors of the College, provide a
link to a broader community.

Lively and substantive discussion among Overseers ensued at that first meeting. Possible areas for collaborative Board action centered on these areas: alumni affairs, development and student life. Issues also covered were reducing the "disconnect" and employing the "reconnect" of alumni from the school, bridging the gap between young alums and prospective students. The Overseers then decided that their strategic focus for this year will be "From Friendraising to Fundraising: Defining new rules of Engagement."

The Overseers held a second meeting in October 2004, where they identified priorities and first steps as a newly invigorated Board. Dean for Institutional Advancement Ruth Shuman produced a "white paper" entitled "THE CHALLENGE OF CONNECTION — Overcoming the Obstacles of Reconnecting with Alumni: Developing a Friendraising Strategy to Help Secure Lasell's Future." The "white paper" outlines the challenges Lasell faces in the cultivation, stewardship and development process.

At the third meeting in June 2005, the Overseers further developed their initial ideas, identified small workgroups to address specific projects, and established activities for the workgroups to pursue over the summer and early fall that will be reported back to the group at their next meeting in October 2005.

The group collectively decided to address the following topics and questions under the umbrella of "The Tradition of Connection": (1) Managing the thought process from student to

alumnus. "What activities might encourage students to think about their future involvement with Lasell as alumni?"

(2) Connecting alumni to Lasell. "What volunteer opportunities could be created that might encourage and motivate alumni to reconnect to Lasell?" and

(3) Keeping alumni connected. "What activities, events, and services can Lasell offer to keep alumni engaged with the College?" The Board felt strongly that the "Tradition of Connection" supports the academic philosophy and overall theme of "Connected Learning."

The first assignment for the workgroups is to explore the possibility of a student/alumni mentoring program. Board members will be conducting surveys and completing some competitive analyses over the summer. Stay tuned — now that they have been charged with a mission there will be no stopping the Board of Overseers. We all look forward to their recommendations to the Board of Trustees and the administration.

(If you are interested in getting involved with this project or serving on the Board of Overseers, please contact Ruth Shuman, dean for Institutional Advancement at 617-243-2140 or at Rshuman@lasell.edu.)

#### Lasell's 150th Commencement

# Anita Hill Urges Graduates to be Confident, Concerned and Compassionate

Anita Hill, lawyer, educator, and affirmative action activist, urged the joyous, 199 graduates at Lasell College's 150th commencement to think of their diplomas "not just as a piece of paper, but as a reminder of all the people who helped get you here.

"After today," she said, "continue to learn, to grow, and to give back." She also advised the young men and women to face the world with confidence, concern, and compassion. "Focus on self-confidence and community responsibility."

Anita Hill, — a professor at Brandeis University, who teaches law, social policy, and women's studies in the Heller School for Social Policy and Management — is known also for her eloquent and informative speaking engagements. She is the author of the 1997 book, "Speaking Truth to Power," a personal memoir describing her involvement in the Clarence Thomas hearings for confirmation to the United States Supreme Court — an event that turned her into a political lightening rod and solidified her place as a leader in the battle for affirmative action.

Professor Hill was awarded an honorary degree from Lasell College, by its president, Dr. Thomas E. J. de Witt. The Citation reads:

As a lawyer, educator, and affirmative action activist, you have stood, for many,



President de Witt hands Professor Anita Hill her honorary degree.

as a national symbol of strength and resilience. Unafraid to speak the truth to the powerful, you have set a public example of what it is to be steadfast, courageous, and honest against daunting and substantial odds. You have also demonstrated through your education and career, how hope, determination, and the belief in one's self can overcome

obstacles and serve as catalysts for excellence. To honor you and your accomplishments, the Board of Trustees of Lasell College confers upon you the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

# Connected Learning Internships

#### The Internship Experience

# A Time When 'Theory is Learned'

By Maha Al-shoaibi '05

May is commencement month for college students, and immediately afterward, most graduates return home to face the prospect of trying to enter the workforce.

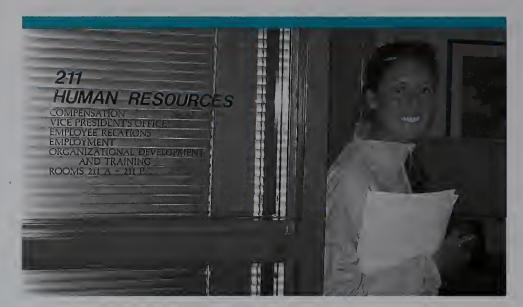
It is a daunting experience for many new graduates. However, because Lasell students have experienced the College's connected learning approach to education, and have participated in the internship program, they are ready to embark on their adult lives with a huge advantage and head start in the task of finding employment.

Talking with faculty and students makes it clear that internships prepare students for working in the real world, and draw them closer to their natural talents, dreams, and pursuits.

Lasell requires its students to complete an internship within their major. Each department has slightly different requirements for the internship but, on the whole, most students are required to work 140 hours in their senior year.

Going to an internship isn't as simple as showing up, counting the hours, and writing in a journal. The entire process of finding the most appropriate internship to fit one's career aspirations gives students a first-hand example of what it takes to get a job.

Many Lasell professors — who say the benefits of the internship program are wide and varied — advise students to



Julie Losordo '05 arrives at her Tufts University internship site. (Photo by Maha Al-shoaibi)

start searching early and to try and not take the first internship opportunity that comes along, encouraging them to match skills with employer's needs — a vital aspect in any job search.

"Internships give students the opportunity to take what they have learned in the classroom and apply it to the work environment," says Chair of the Business Department Richard Frederics. He hopes that his students walk away with a sense of professionalism and a judgment of whether or not this is the career path for them. "Many students might have book smarts, but the internship prepares them to have street smarts," he says.

Professor Linda Bucci organizes internships for Criminal Justice and Legal

Studies students and finds that the internship process and the connected learning philosophy bring more meaning to student's studies. "Two of the most important gains from internships are the skills gained and the career development progress," she says. She brings adjunct faculty into the department who are active in their field, including retired judges and individuals who work in the criminal justice system.

As a result, students are provided with an excellent source for networking as well as connected learning in the classroom.

Many students walk away with a better idea of what the workplace is all about according to Assistant Professor of Business Joseph Potts. "A great aspect is that students have the opportunity to gain a more realistic view of the skills needed as opposed to some of the skills they think they have. Many accounting students, for instance, have interesting experiences learning how the real world brings to life what they learn in their textbooks. One of our more fascinating internships is with a small accounting firm in downtown Boston that supports only women-owned businesses," he says.

Julie Hubbard '05 interned at an accounting firm and loved taking what she learned in class and making it work on the job. "I learned how to apply my book knowledge," she says. "I also learned that if you treat your internship as if you are really employed, you benefit more from it than you might have expected, even if you don't get paid."

Lisa Bortman, dean for the School of Allied Health and Sports Studies, describes the internship as a meaningful, explorative, and enriching experience: a time where "theory is learned."

In the School of Allied Health and Sports Studies, students rely on their internships to prepare them for their professions. There are many different requirements mandated by external credentialing bodies, so the program helps to place students more than in other departments. Students have had residencies at such institutions as Emerson College, Massachusetts

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#### **Notes From the Author**



Maha Al-shoaibi on Commencement Day.

#### Greetings Dear Readers,

I hope you have enjoyed reading my stories. In the last *LEAVES*, I wrote about International Students and, in this issue, I cover internships at Lasell. Unfortunately this is my last article for *LEAVES* because I graduated in May and have gone home to Saudi Arabia to start my new career.

This article was interesting to write. I met students from different classes and different majors, and they talked about their jobs, what they have experienced, and how they have learned about real life and how to deal with real people. What was very exciting was visiting the students that I interviewed at their

workplaces. The sites varied from a small, energized office to a huge but very warm rehabilitation center, to a center for children with special needs. It was a great opportunity for me to share the experience and feel the atmosphere at these fabulous places. To me it meant the world.

I want to give a very warm thanks to Mr. Arnold Wenig, at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged. If it were not for him, I wouldn't be able to present the wonderful picture that shows him with Aeree Rhee '05.

I would like to thank the SPARK staff members and the sweet children for welcoming me and making me feel one of them. I really appreciate everything I learned from all of them.

Last, but not least, a special thanks to Institutional Advancement and the Communication Office for giving me this great opportunity to learn and write articles that I hope have interested my readers and told them about students' lives and experiences.

Maha Al-shoaibi

# Connected Learning Internships

#### 'THEORY IS LEARNED'

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General Hospital, Children's Hospital, and the Leahy Clinic. One lucky student even got a job with the Patriots! (see story p. 6)

Chris Haverty, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Clinical Education for the Athletic Education Training Program, speaks enthusiastically about her department's internships and her students' progress. "One of the most critical aspects is the site visit," she explains. "It shows the clinical instructor at that site that you have enough interest in the program to come and check in on them. It also shows the students that you care about them.

"One important aspect of the internship that all students should remember is that it will not be an easy experience," she continues. "This is an opportunity to learn and be comfortable with constructive criticism. I always say, 'Ask lots of questions and enjoy yourself!'

"Students are not going to love every internship and every person they work with," she continues. "They have to be as open minded as possible, make the best of every situation, and never close any doors. One never knows if the one person that you are not crazy about might recommend you for something down the road because you acted professionally and responsibly during your internship."

Ellen LaBelle, chair of the Hospitality and Management Department, still hears from students who have graduated about their successes. Talking about the wonderful opportunities that students can have with the Disney Corporation (see story p. 6) she says, "At Disney, students meet people from all over the world and learn a great deal about management and tourism in the hospitality industry."

Students have varied experiences and not all get to intern at exciting corporations like Disney. Julie Losordo '05 worked in a human resource office at Tufts University. "I sometimes had to ask for things to do and most of the time people were too busy to explain things to me, but I learned a lot from the position. I discovered that I don't want to work in Boston and have to deal with traffic. I would prefer not to work on a computer all day long, but I also learned that I'd better brush up on my Excel skills," she says of the Microsoft software. "My boss asked me to formulate a spreadsheet on Excel and it was embarrassing that I didn't know how to complete it. I figured it out though!" she adds triumphantly.

Aeree Rhee '05, from the School of Allied Health, interned at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged. "I learned many things about myself and found this was the type of work I want to do. It was a valuable experience because it narrowed my focus and now I know what to look for in a real job," she says.

English major Jeanie Lemieux '05 interned at Boston Medical Center's SPARK (Supporting Parents and Resilient Kids) (see story p. 10). The internship brought together many of her interests as she was exposed to social work, nursing, and teaching. "I felt this was an opportunity to give



Aeree Rhee '05 works with a patient at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged. (Photo by Maha Al-shoaibi)

back as I benefited from similar services when I was a child. I think the most important aspect of my internship was having a positive attitude. If something bothered me, I learned to approach the situation and try and solve it," Jeanie says.

Samantha Dulac '05 had a completely different type of internship, working in the Boston Herald's fashion department. She was allowed to research and write articles, as well as organize fashion shoots. She found herself working in her dream field! "I learned that it's worth going after what I want and I was pleasantly surprised to find out that the department was more laid back and less 'cut throat' than the field has a reputation for," she says.

One of the best parts of the internship program is that students get to come back to the classroom and analyze their experiences. Most of the departments have classes that support the internship program and teach students how to write a resume and cover letter. They also provide a forum to share, so one student's experience does not exist inside a vacuum. Discussion leads to a richer appreciation of what all may struggle with or relate to. It provides an opportunity to analyze what is working and what is not so that, in another instance of forging connections, students can learn from each other.

The internship experience at Lasell is broad and rewarding for all involved. The students and the teachers describe it as an experience that gives true value to education at Lasell. That the students do so well at their internships reflects highly on the College.  $\mathfrak{F}$ 

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"The other project is what I call the emergence of the 'Mohammed industry' — the publishing in the 90's of a spate of biographies on Mohammed. I'm interested in why, after so many centuries, popular historians, religionists, and more serious scholars have redeveloped such an interest in him."

Joe, a graduate of Holy Cross, who holds two master's degrees from Brandeis University, says he began his academic career with a narrow scholarly perspective.

"When I was in grad school, I thought I'd be a very narrow scholar. I arrived at Lasell for what I believed was going to be one year, and 36 years later, I am still thrilled to be here. I love it. It hasn't

always been easy — there was that long and painful struggle to survive, and I firmly believe that without Tom de Witt's vision, we would be dead.

"But I came to realize that, maybe, narrow specialization wasn't where the action was, rather, it was broad-based interests that became far more addictive to me.

"I am very much fascinated by the life of the mind," he explains. "At Lasell — first when it was a two year institution, and now, as a baccalaureate and master's degree-granting institution — exploring areas of interest is not only allowed but encouraged." For a constantly inquisitive mind, such freedom is exhilarating.

He is grateful, he says, to still be breathing oxygen, and to be so actively engaged in the work he so loves. His gratitude spills over too, for two generations of students who have continued to challenge and stimulate him and "for the support of people like Tom de Witt, Jim Ostrow, Paula Panchuck, Steve Bloom, Mimi Reddicliffe, Helen Alcala, Stephen Sarikas, and before them, Ken Matheson, previous deans and administrators. They are excellent colleagues who push me and encourage my intellectual curiosity."

After 36 years of teaching, Joe Aieta still has the freshness of perspective and positive attributes of a newbie.

Congratulations, Joe!

Joe was chosen because of his history of and continuing commitment to productive scholarship in his field, which includes, but is not limited to, the scholarship of teaching. He has an excellent record of publication (articles and book reviews), presentations, and development grants from the National Endowment of Humanities.

 Jim Ostrow
 Vice President for Academic Affairs

# Connected Learning Internships

#### Hospitality Management Students Join Mickey and Minnie

# Learning at the Wonderful World of Disney



Current and past Disney interns get together: (L to R) Erika Nutinsky '08, Megan Rosol '08, Charles Feeley '08, and Assistant Director of Annual Giving Jenn Marvel.

told my interviewer that I wanted to be Cinderella," laughs Megan Rosol '08, "and my wish to become an intern at Disney World came true." Megan and two other sophomores, Erika Nutinsky and Charles Feeley, are in Orlando, FL learning all they can about the hospitality business.

"The Disney internship programs are the best things that ever came down the pike," enthuses Ellen LaBelle, chair of Hospitality Management. "The corporation is number one in understanding people and clients, so these students will be learning from the best. Furthermore, when they graduate, the internships will look great on their resumes and put them ahead in their job searches."

Erika and Megan left for Florida right after their classes were completed in May, and they will return to campus in January. Charlie left in August for a five-month internship. All of them lived in Hoag, the community service house, last year, and were involved in many volunteer projects. "No matter how busy these three are, they always find the time to do more. You never need to encourage them to get involved," says Professor LaBelle.

Last fall, both Erika and Megan became members of Lasell's Annual Fund Phonathon team, where they worked with Assistant Director of Annual Giving Jenn Marvel, a former Disney intern. "During the Phonathon interview process I learned of their interest in Disney and it was great fun sharing my experiences with them and giving them tips on how to apply and what to expect," says Jenn. "You have to work really hard there but it's the best time of your life.

"Through a friend, I got in touch with a Disney college recruiter, and talked with Erika and Megan," Jenn continues. "I emphasized that they should wear skirts, look professional, and go to the interview with up-to-date resumes."

Once the girls arrived at Massasoit Community College for their interview "We were much better prepared than the other applicants and afterwards we realized we'd learned a lot from the whole process."

Orlando seems to be a good fit for Erika. "I absolutely love it here!" she enthuses, "and I have met some amazing people. I am working as a hostess in the Crystal Palace in the Magic Kingdom where I'm with Winnie the Pooh and Friends all day long."

But it's not all fun. The interns take classes while they are at Disney, are given grades, and have an actual graduation. Every two weeks they must check back with Professor LaBelle and are required to put together a packet for her that describes their experience. "Students come back from Disney so much richer," she says. "It gives them a big jump start and they have some real world experience under their belts. I love having them in class — they'll just pick up on a topic and start rolling with it."

#### From Classroom to Career

# Internship Presentations during Symposium Show Depth and Variety

learned a lot about myself at my senior internship at the West Roxbury District Court," says Jenn Peters '05.
"I've wanted to be a lawyer since I was five, but wanting and having actual experience is very different. Before, I would have been quicker to judge. I learned to exercise patience."

Jenn was one of six students to discuss her internship experience during a Connected Learning Symposium session. She is a Criminal Justice major and the first undergraduate to have ever been given an internship at the West Roxbury District Court with the Honorable Judge Kathleen Coffey as her supervisor. "I didn't know what to expect and it was an honor to have Judge Coffey see potential in me. I was thrilled when I was asked to return this fall semester."

Among Jenn's many responsibilities was working with the Straight Ahead Program that brings local fifth and sixth graders to the court the first Friday of every month. Issues such as bullying, peer pressure, and violence are discussed and the young students also sit in on courtroom sessions.

"We pick cases we think they will understand, such as one on drag racing" explains Jenn. "We also give a tour of the lock-up and ask the children what they think. The usual response is, 'Why would anyone want to be locked up?' — point made."

The culmination of the Straight Ahead Program is Law Day, which this year celebrated the jury system. The students had all written essays and listened intently as they were told, "This room is full of promising people who will be taking care of the world tomorrow. This is your court house and the system can't work without you."

Two Education students spoke about their experiences. Jessie Gilbert '05 worked 35 - 40 hours a week with kindergarteners and second graders in a Dorchester school. "My Lasell classes were really helpful, but I found I wasn't prepared for the classroom discipline that was necessary," says Jessie.

Nicole Gagnon '05 worked at the Rockwell Child Study Center. "I learned my strengths and weaknesses," she smiles. "I found I'm not as good at science as I am at art, and I discovered that I need to work on my preparation.

"I worked alongside a Lasell Village teacher, Harriet Kaplan, who is in her 8os. The children adore her. Here I am, just starting, and it was wonderful being

with someone who is so experienced."

Athletic Training major John Steele '05 had a wide range of clinicals during his time at Lasell. "I met so many people, made a lot of contacts, and was shown many different techniques," he says. "I will take something from each of them."

John had two clinicals with the Boston College football team and it opened his eyes to the world of "big." "They have unlimited resources. I worked with the top orthopedic doctors and saw



At West Roxbury District Court's Law Day, Jenn Peters '05 awaits the bagpipe entrance.

surgeries at St. Elizabeth Hospital. I got to travel with the team to San Francisco and North Carolina," he explains.

"After this experience, I concluded that I love football and I decided to send out my resume to the NFL teams. In July I start work with the Patriots! This never would have happened without the opportunity that my clinicals at BC gave me. Internships are invaluable."

# **Connected Learning**

It's All Connected

# Career Services Makes Marketing Oneself for Employment a Valuable, On-Going, Educational Experience



At the on-campus job fair, students talk with recruiters from area businesses.

The world of work is a very different place today than it was 10 years ago. Fluid and focused on profits, the marketplace that today's Lasell graduates confront is ruled by galloping globalism and technology that enables commerce to happen instantly, regardless of time or place.

"Employers today are interested in hiring people who can demonstrate skills in developing goals and strategies," says Marie Smith, director of Career Services. "They want people who are prepared to step in and accomplish the tasks at hand.

Students, who come in with no clear career goal in mind, find reassurance in the Career Services offerings that help them define themselves as productive professionals.

"Lasell students have lots of good experience from part-time and summer jobs they have held, and currently hold, as they work to make money to pay bills," says Marie. "Many students come into Lasell with experience that is actually career related."

Even if a student says he or she has only worked in a restaurant or done child-

training — in the intensely competitive workplace, is very

Giving students every advantage - through education and

much what Lasell is about.

"We encourage students to identify the skills they are learning in and out of the classroom which will aid them, not simply in getting a job, but by increasing their potential for success within the specific field they've chosen," Marie explains.

Students who come into Lasell as freshmen — regardless of whether they have selected a major or not - participate in a career exploration workshop that examines what they can do, professionally, using different disciplines. The workshop is run by Career Services as part of the first-year seminar.

There, students have the opportunity to begin to better understand how their interests and skills might fit in the marketplace.

care, for instance, Marie urges them to use the experience on the resume to reflect the dependability, commitment and personal responsibility as well as the organization and communication skills these jobs demonstrate.

By sophomore year, students begin to think about internships and by junior year, they are well into the connected learning and internship routine, building meaningful, firsthand work experiences that bolster their resumes.

Although they get support from their faculty advisors and Career Services, it is the responsibility of students to find internships - another potent opportunity to test their presentation skills by getting out on their own in the marketplace. Students are coached on how to

search online for possibilities, how to network within their chosen areas, and how to prepare for interviews.

The Career Services component differs from program to program, but it offers seminars and workshops that expose virtually every student to the art and craft of interviewing, job searching, and the writing of impactful cover letters.

Each year, Career Services co-coordinates the on-campus Career Fair with the School of Business and Information Science. Several students are given the connected learning experience of managing the production of the event. Held in the spring, and designed primarily for the business programs though it is open to all students — the Career Fair attracts a number of recruiters from an array of major businesses, including the fields of insurance, healthcare, hospitality, financial services, marketing, and retail.

Students who attend have the opportunity to get their feet in the door with an employer, learn some new information, get a contact name or two and, maybe even an interview. Nearly 100 students attended the March Career Fair and a number negotiated their way into meaningful interviews that held the promise of employment.

The newest and most sophisticated wrinkle in Career Services at Lasell is the use of the Electronic Portfolio, which is a required academic component of many of Lasell's majors. Over four years, the portfolio activities facilitate students' reflection on their development and are intended to assist them in understanding their Lasell education as a cohesive, holistic experience. Numbers of career related exercises are included and, during senior year, Career Services helps students in adapting an edited version to support a job candidate's search. This is a concrete means of digitally demonstrating to prospective employers what he or she has accomplished during four years of college.

Web-based, and readily transferable to CD ROMS to make them portable, the eportfolio enables students to use all the latest technology - video, music, the Web, narrative, and images — to exhibit their work and provide commentary on how they developed leadership and other vital skills during their college

Our emphasis on connected learning, including academic service learning, volunteer work, and co-curricular activities, form an individual uniqueness and offer value.

"career." Students can then either mail or deliver their eportfolio to prospective employers, with their resumes, or show the range of their work during an actual interview.

"We strive to be high tech and high touch with our Career Services outreach," says Marie, describing the comfortable melding of high technology with a high level of personal attention with which students are provided.

"Seeking employment is one of the most challenging jobs a student will ever have," Marie says. "Our job is to equip them with the skills to find the right job and the right career."

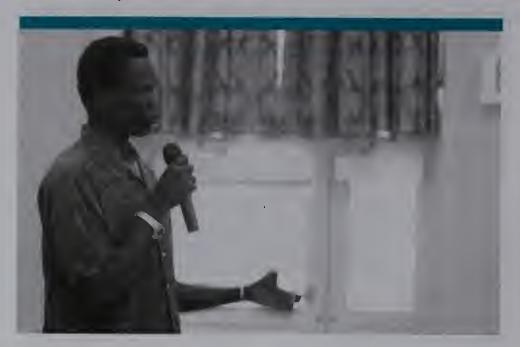
Over the past 10 years Lasell has consistently maintained a placement rate above 90%. And, over the past 10 years, more than 90% of graduates have been employed in work related to their major or continued their education six to nine months after graduation. T

#### **Career Services Factoids**

- Career Services will likely provide services to virtually every student at some point during his or her time at Lasell.
- 665 appointments for personal assistance were conducted with students last year.
- 770 students were assisted in workshops during the '04-05 academic year.
- This fall, Career Services is providing instructional sheets on the campus intranet for students on all aspects of resume writing, job hunting, networking, and interviewing.

#### Students Galvanize

# 100 Days of Action: The Darfur Awareness Project



Lost Boy Ayuel Agany tells his story.

never knew that all these tragic events were going on in Africa. The images are horrible. How could a government want to kill all these people?"

This student was not alone in her reaction to the panel discussion on the Darfur Awareness Project that was sponsored by the Donahue Institute and Professor Dennis Frey's History 213 class, "Genocide in Historical & Comparative Perspective." The panel kicked-off Lasell students' participation in One Hundred Days of Action that started on April 6th to commemorate the 100 days of genocide in Rwanda. The 100 Days of Action was coordinated by the Genocide Intervention Fund (GIF), whose aim is to increase public awareness about genocide.

"As I was planning my syllabus, I was looking for something that would inspire the class," explains Professor Frey. "I heard Nicole leRoux, a young activist representing GIF, speak last year about the nearly 400,000 people already killed in Darfur and it dawned on me that this was a situation that lends itself to activism. It was a topic that would connect the course material to a wider community.

"I spoke with Professor Tessa leRoux, director of the Donahue Institute, about creating a program on the Darfur crisis and she was immediately enthusiastic. With a connected learning grant I received, I invited Professor Eric Reeves from Smith College to speak. He is regarded nationally as the foremost expert on the situation in Sudan and, for six years, has been a meticulous researcher on the atrocities committed on black Africans in Sudan by the Khartoum government."

The students in Professor Frey's class were put in charge of organizing the specific details of the program. "They decided they didn't want the panel to consist solely of scholars. They wanted to hear from people whom they could relate to and who would speak to them at their own level."

Through their efforts, and with the backing of Professors Frey and leRoux, three additional speakers were added to the program roster.

Aisha Baines from American University in Washington D.C. did an internship at the Center for Prevention of Genocide and was assigned to find out about the situation in Darfur. "As I spoke to Darfurians in the U.S., the reports from the region were startling," she says. "I wondered why the media wasn't picking the story up. A group of us decided to go to Sudan with cameras and make a documentary that focused on the children, the most ignored population.



Aisha Baines from American University in Washington D.C. discusses the documentary she made while in Sudan.

"The Khartoum government won't let outsiders into the country and therefore we have no idea how people are doing," Aisha continues. "We went into Sudan without government sanction. The conditions in the north are very harsh and, although the south is more favorable for crops, there is no longer a planting system in place. People and their animals are dying. With the impending famine it will become genocide by attrition, not just by violence."

As the compelling scenes from Aisha's film played, including chilling children's drawings of helicopter attacks and men carrying rifles, Ayuel Agany, one of the Lost Boys of the Sudan, told his unbelievable story. Named after Peter Pan's orphans, there were approximately 26,000 Sudanese boys who were forced by violence from their southern villages in the late 1980s. They walked over 1,000 miles: first to Ethiopia, then back to Sudan, and finally on to a Kenyan refugee camp.

"I walked in the sun without shoes," recalls Ayuel. "I didn't dare cry. What's the point? It hurts to see someone dying and when I wake up at night I can hear screams.

"At the refugee camp we did nothing but wait for the UN to give us food once a day. I haven't seen my mother for 15 years. I have grown up by myself. Now I'm here and my life has changed.

"I don't want to kill the people who let this happen, but to free the children who came after me. I want them to feel alive and to be human beings. It has been a long journey and I'm glad that I'm alive."

Nicole leRoux was the last to speak and she compellingly urged the audience to participate in the Kukummi Darfur Awareness campaign. "Kukummi is a Bushman (San) word for stories, news, gossip, messages. The purpose of Kukummi is to make educational material available, making it possible for people to learn more about the real Africa through stories of real people with real experiences."

Nicole has become a close friend of Ayuel and went to Kenya, where she met his mother. "She said, 'Tell my story,' and so I am passing it along to you."

The audience was totally engrossed by the words of the speakers and by the startling and heart rendering slides of Aisha's that played continuously on the



Donahue student assistant Amanda Wasowski '07 and Nancy Lawson Donahue '49 at the Darfur panel discussion.

large screen. There were many questions directed to the panel at the end of the program and Lasell students were moved to action.

"The United States used to be run by student events," said Professor Reeves.
"We need a moral coalition of the willing." The College responded with over 243 letters written by campus members to Senator Kennedy calling for his support of a bill to give the African Union a bigger mandate and to urge a no-fly zone over Darfur. "Weeks after these letters were received, I am pleased to say that the positions and policies proposed were passed as amendments in the Senate," says Professor Frey.

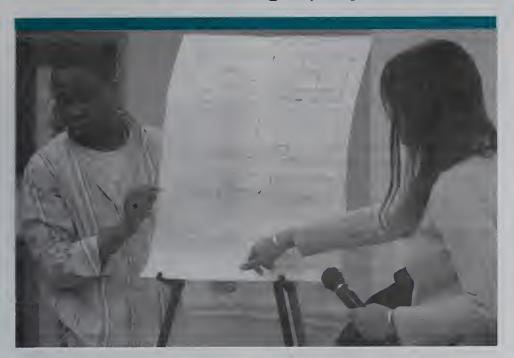
"In preparation for the Darfur presentation, a number of classroom-related and interdisciplinary projects helped inform the students, and probably played a big role in making for an informed audience during the culminating event," explains Professor leRoux.

Honor students prepared three Powerpoint presentations on the history and economy of Sudan, on the Lost Boys, and on the current crisis and showed them to both Professor leRoux and Frey's classes. Professor Sidney Trantham gave a number of guest presentations on the psychology of genocide and Mrs. Irene Hofstein, from Lasell Village and a Holocaust survivor, talked to classes.

"Student reaction to this program exceeded all expectations," says Professor leRoux. "They were moved to action, not only on the campus but beyond. For example, Erika Nutinksy, a freshman honors student, called her former high school outside of Philadelphia and arranged with the administration to talk to all seniors about the crisis in Darfur. I was so impressed by the many levels that were reached by the event."

#### **Exhibits, Demonstrations, and Presentations**

# **Connected Learning Symposium Week Impressive**



American Legal System students Eniolami Ayobiojo '08 and Dayna Eason '07 refer to a diagram of the alleged murder scene during a mock trial presentation.

From 9:00 in the morning until 7:00 at night there were non-stop events happening during the fourth annual Connected Learning Symposium Week in April. Some of the highlights were an evening community service-learning "summit," an interdisciplinary business presentation on entrepreneurship, a session focusing on electronic portfolios, and presentations by selected students in each of the three schools.

As students talked about research and projects that they had been involved with over the year, it was apparent that they had not only learned an enormous amount but had also become engrossed in their learning and enjoyed themselves.

In the late Professor Diane Donatio's "Writing for Advertising and Public Relations" class (see Nota Bene), students reported on a variety of projects that they had completed during the spring semester. "Brag a little," said Professor Donatio, and as the students talked about the six projects they had worked on, it was clear that they had earned their bragging rights.

"In this class, we learned how to work with clients," said Mike Unwin 'o6. "We wanted to run the class as if it was a real ad agency but what we hadn't anticipated was that we might not be able to do some of the projects. We tried not to turn anyone down, even if this meant only being able to do a portion of what was requested."

In order to advertise the Spring Ball, students created flyers that looked like parking tickets. "If people thought they had a ticket, we figured they would read it," they laughed. In addition, the group made announcements over Lasell College Radio every hour.

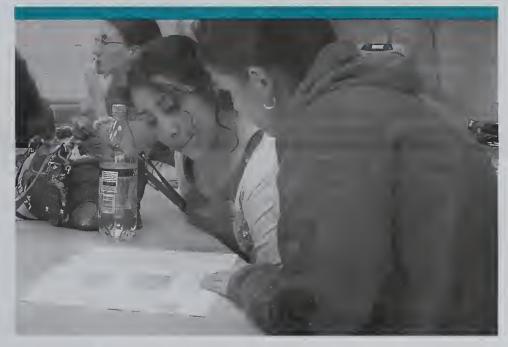
The biggest class project, and one that everyone was involved in, was getting an issue of the student newspaper out by the end of the semester. Students were involved in the writing, proofing, production, graphics, and photography. The end result was an eight-page paper with the new and up-to-date name, "Lasell Beat."

Business Professor Nancy Waldron's "Sales Principles" class put together a Fraud Workshop. Derek Cunningham '07 and Jamie Higgins '07, two

to this community and sharing what we had learned about telemarketing fraud, Medicare fraud, funeral fraud, identity theft, and the importance of reading fine print. I think our most important point was, 'Know whom you are dealing with.""

Fashion Professor Lynn Blake's "Fashion Design Concepts" class spent some time this fall on "The Anita Hill Project."

"I asked my students to design a garment for Ms. Hill to wear to the Senate Confirmation Hearings for Attorney Clarence Thomas," she explained. "They were to pretend that the hearings were happening in 2004 and to realize that creativity was not the object of the project. Instead, I wanted them to think of the responsibility of each garment, it's social appeal, its appropriateness.



Students in Professor Donatio's class look over the final copy of the student newspaper, "Lasell Beat."

members of "The Fraud Squad," reported on a presentation they had made at Woodland Towers in Waltham, a low income elderly housing facility.

"The elderly are a group at risk. They are often lonely and happy to talk on the phone to strangers," they explained. "Our class developed a brochure that outlined some organizations such as Call For Action, Inc. that people can phone for information on consumer fraud. We also compiled a list of rules, such as 'Your identity is important don't lose it!' and 'Ditch the pitch!'

"The audience at Woodland Towers was very appreciative. They were a group that didn't have many informational resources and we felt good reaching out "They also needed to consider the temperature of the courtroom — this was a woman who would be under pressure and under lights. Another question was whether Ms. Hill should play up her feminine side or take the Washington power world direction i.e. skirts versus pants. For color, should it be one that would make the garment recede or come forward.

"When I told Professor Hill about the project she smiled and said, 'I've never heard my name and fashion in the same sentence." 👻



Professor Anita Hill takes a moment to review the clothing created for her by Lasell's "Fashion Design Concepts" class.

#### **Reaching Out**

# Students Make a Difference in Children's Lives



Jeanie Lemieux '05 spends some concentrated time with a SPARK toddler.

Lemieux '05 as she helps a young toddler out of the van that is delivering eight boisterous children to Boston Medical Center's SPARK (Supporting Parents and Resilient Kids) Center. For her senior internship, Jeanie spent two days a week here, surrounded by the children with whom she worked.

Carrying one toddler and holding the hand of another, Jeanie leads the skipping children down the hall. "This is an early intervention class," she explains. "The children have developmental delays and we have speech therapists, psychologists, and play therapists who come and

work with them so that they will become more socially integrated and up to par with kids of their age.

"Sometimes the progress is slow," she admits. "We have one little neglected boy who had no vocabulary at all. It was frustrating for both him and us. But now he is starting to say a few words. It's not consistent, but he tries."

"I have family with HIV, so I know how the disease can affect those close to it," explains Jeanie. "I had to move from Florida to Massachusetts when I was 13. If it weren't for a program called Upward Bound, a college preparatory program for low income families in New Bedford, I wouldn't be at Lasell today. It structured my day, made me open up and make friends, and helped me with my college applications and financial package. Not only am I the first person in my family to make it through high school, but I'm also the first person to graduate from college.

"This is why I find working with these children so rewarding. My background has given a special perspective to my internship."

Lasell's Student Athletic Advisory Council (SAAC) also touched the lives of children living with AIDS. Under the leadership of Allegra DeLuca '05, president of SAAC, the College reestablished its connection with Boston Medical Center's Children with AIDS (CAP) program which provides comprehensive medical, educational, and neurodevelopmental day care for 35 children, birth to six years in age. In the 1990s, the College worked with CAP in the running of Camp Colors, a unique, family day camp for children with HIV-AIDS.

"Although I'm a Management major, daycare is what I'd like to work in after graduation," Allegra explains. "At CAP there is no outside facility for the children to run around in, so I saw an opportunity for SAAC to give them a chance to spend a morning dashing around our gym and feeling the freedom of being kids."

Allegra rallied the College's student-athletes, and 35 of them took time out of their daily routine of classes and practices to be there when three vans filled with CAP children arrived. It took no time at all before everyone was involved in games of basketball, soccer, kickball and Frisbee.

"The purpose of SAAC is to promote sports on campus, instill the ideals of sportsmanship, and do community service," says Professor Richard Frederics,



Allegra DeLuca '05 (center) presents a check to the teachers from CAP.

SAAC's faculty athletic representative. "Allegra is a wonderful young woman who threw herself into her job as president. She organized all the functions SAAC was involved in during the year and made sure things got done."

Before the CAP children left, Allegra was able to present a check for \$370 to their teachers. "This was money that SAAC had raised at last fall's Fan Fest," explains Athletic Director Kristy Walter. "This year we are hoping to have two visits with the CAP children, one here and one at their center. We want to keep the momentum going."

#### **Students Work Together**

# One Hundred Years of Wedding Fashions Exhibited



(L to R) Mandy Rapisardi '06 and Yvonne Collier '06 stand in front of the wedding dress they selected to represent the 1920s.

It was a gala opening at the Wedeman Art Gallery for an exceptional show that encompassed two exhibits. Upstairs was a sea of white, filled with bridal gowns that 34 students from Professor Jill Carey's "20th Century Fashion History" class had assembled for the exhibit

"Wedding Elegance: Past and Present."
Downstairs, the walls were covered by artwork created by eight talented Lasell faculty members: Lynn Blake, Jill Carey, Stephen Cicco, Stephen Fischer, Margo Lemieux, Jennifer Mayott, Josh Randall, and Annee Scott.

"'Wedding Elegance' was a cooperative effort on the part of my entire class," says Professor Jill Carey. "Students selected gowns that showcased over 130 years of female wedding attire, researched the period the dresses were from, and wrote essays that related the pieces to their era. I was very impressed by the thoroughness of my students' approach and the resulting exhibit is a credit to their efforts."

The dresses were taken from the College's Goodwill Costume collection or were donated by alumni, faculty, and staff members. Two of the three dresses on exhibit for the 1930s were donated by Marjorie Westgate Doran '37: her wedding dress and a dress she had made for her 50th wedding anniversary in 1987 which incorporated some of the same design elements.

"Repair, reuse, make do, and don't throw away" was an often heard motto of the 30s. The students' paper on the post-depression era described the simplicity of the dresses of the times, with designs incorporating detachable trains and short jackets so that they could be given a new look and used again.

Trustee Martha Garshman Spector '71 and her mother, Lorraine Zaleson Garshman, both donated their dresses. "Martha's gown is from the 1990s," says Professor Carey. "It is very elaborate and includes a hat with veil. Her mother's dress and head piece are from 1949."

A Victorian dress from the 1870s was the oldest among the dresses exhibited. "It was a time when a torn country was trying to reunite," explains the students' paper. "There was a strong European influence as the United States had yet to establish its own style." By tracing the history of the dresses, the exhibit gave a unique perspective to America's growth and sense of individuality.

## Village Resident Travels as Official Photographer

# Ann J. Mignosa '87 Participates in Service-Learning Trip to Mexico



Cutting cane is hard and dirty work, but Ann Mignosa is a fast learner.

laughs Ann Mignosa '87, thinking back on the two weeks she spent in Mexico with 10 Lasell students and three faculty members last January. "When Professor Helen Alcala asked me if I'd be interested in going as the photographer on the Lasell service-learning trip, it took me a while to make up my mind, but I'm so glad I decided to take the plunge. What an unbelievable way to see Mexico and get to know Lasell students at the same time."

Arriving at Logan Airport on January 6, Ann had no idea how long the day would be. "Our plane was delayed and once we did arrive in Mexico City we spent another six hours on two different busses in order to get to Coatepec. It was midnight when we got to our hostess's house and she was sound asleep. We couldn't wake her up with the door bell, so we had to call her on the phone."

Ann and Art Professor Margo Lemieux stayed with three sisters who didn't speak much English, but that didn't stop them from communicating. "We used sign language and a dictionary," Ann recalls. "I know Italian and many words are similar to Spanish, so I attempted to be the translator.

"The three were wonderful, warm people. Getting to know them was one of the highlights of the trip. Every morning they would prepare us a beautiful breakfast where we would spend time getting to know each other."

In Coatepec, the students picked coffee beans, vented stoves in the homes of villagers, cut sugar cane, and cleared a garden area at a school for disabled children. "I was so impressed by how hard they worked and how good they were with the children," says Ann. "I felt privileged to be part of the group."

By working with the people of Coatepec, the Lasell group saw the poverty that many were dealing with. "The villagers worked long hours for a pittance and were black from burning the sugar cane fields. The shacks they lived in were jammed with their belongings and everything got wet when it rained. The walls were covered with soot and there was no ventilation, but inserting stove pipes was one of the students' projects. In spite of what they were dealing with, the people always had smiles on their faces and were very polite," Ann recalls.

"On a bus trip to the beach, I had the opportunity to talk with a man who spoke a little English. He explained to me that although he is a carpenter by trade, he goes to Canada from March to September to work in the fields because he can't earn enough in Mexico to support his family. It made me appreciate what people have to go through."

Orizaba was the second stop on the trip. "Each student went to live with individual families, which was scary at first," recalls Ann, "It was the first trip for all of them and in Coatepec they had lived together in a couple of homes. With everyone living separately there weren't as many group activities although the families met and got everyone together."



Young Mexican students wear their extra large Lasell soccer shirts proudly.

Ann returned to Lasell Village with hundreds of photographs that record her adventure. "What better way to see Mexico!" she exclaims. "We ate the foods the people ate, we tried to speak their language and really get to know them. I don't know if I'll go again next year, but one of my fondest memories is of our Coatepec hostess saying, 'when you return, you'll know more Spanish and I'll know more English.' I never expected to make such close ties."

#### **Building an Unforgettable Experience**

# **Alternative Spring Break Spent with Habitat for Humanity**

"d do it again in a heartbeat," exudes Megan Rosol 'o8 when discussing Lasell's March Alternative Spring Break to Immokalee, FL to help Habitat for Humanity. "I'd never done anything like this before and I don't like hard labor, but the Habitat people were so welcoming and appreciative. I never questioned why I was there and I gladly put on my tool belt in the morning."

Nine students accompanied Lasell's Americorps\*VISTA volunteer Kali Small and Assistant Director of Admission Jami Shamberger to the Florida Habitat site and worked flat out for five days. "There were 10 to 12 houses in progress, all in various stages of development. The Collier County chapter of Habitat is the most active in the country and Phase Two at the Immokalee site will involve the construction of 109 additional houses," explains Kali.

The students stayed at the Immokalee Friendship House, a local shelter that primarily serves migrant workers and their families. After a full day of construction work, they helped cook for the residents and themselves. "I had blisters from hammering and dishpan hands," laughs Megan.

Midway through the week, President de Witt arrived to lend a hand. Trustee Susan Slocum Klingbeil '45 and her husband Bill, an overseer, also came to show their support. "The Lasell students were wonderful ambassadors for the College," says President de Witt. "By working with Habitat they learned about society and the conditions that lead to need."

"President de Witt was focused and a quick learner," reports Jackie Janda '08. "He was great fun to work with."

"He rocked at putting up hurricane straps," enthuses Megan. "I'm hoping to return next year and would love to work with him again."

"I must have driven a thousand nails," groans President de Witt. "I sure felt it in my shoulders."

Everyone who participated had an enriching experience as well as a great time and the feeling of camaraderie carried over when the students and President de Witt returned to campus.



President de Witt concentrates hard while wielding his hammer.

#### 36 Youngsters Learn by Reading

# Lasell America Reads Program Touches Two Schools



At the Renaissance School, Nyndia Diligent '08 and her student happily enjoy snack time.

had a hard time learning reading when I was young, so I wanted to reach out and help a student who was having the same trouble," explains an America Reads participant. "I used to be that child." The 36 Lasell students in the program all developed relationships with their tutees that made the experience a special one.

Lasell has participated in this federal workstudy program, which is a Clinton literacy initiative, for many years. Because the administration of America Reads has grown in complexity, last year (through a generous gift from Joan Weiler Arnow '49) Marilyn Dewar, who also teaches writing, took over the running of the program. She was ably backed by Americorps\*VISTA volunteer Kali Small, and the two made the program a huge success both for the Lasell students and for the two schools who participated: Newton's Mason Rice Elementary School and Boston's Renaissance Charter School.

"We recruit students in the fall," explains Marilyn, "and then everyone goes through a training program that covers topics such as behavior management, how to excite a child about reading, vocabulary, and how to predict questions. This makes it less frightening for the first time tutors."

Lasell has had a relationship with the Mason Rice School for four years. "The students we work with there are mostly inner city children," says Marilyn, "and in order to qualify for America Reads, the children must be below grade level in their reading abilities."

In April, a Kids to College Day was organized for the Mason Rice group. They were welcomed with a smile and a snack and then headed off on a campus tour. By the end of the day, the children felt right at home and were happily asking questions and playing games that had been organized by their tutors.

"Everyone came back with enormous smiles," says Jane Taylor, the Mason Rice faculty coordinator for the program.
"Thank you so much. Maybe not this year, but in the long run I think that America Reads will make a big difference in these children's lives. My principal told someone that this was one of the big things we were doing to close the achievement gap."

For the first time last year, the Mason Rice children participated in Bank of America's Heifer International project. For each book they finished they got a credit to buy animals for people in third world countries. Because of their reading accomplishments, on May 9th they were able to present a check for \$250 to the Read to Feed a Heifer Project. A llama and an alpaca were on hand for the ceremony.

The 18 tutors at the Renaissance Charter School had a different experience. Located near Boston's theatre district in a large building that used to house the Boston Gas Company and then UMass Boston, students from pre-K through eighth grade have classes on II floors. "It is much quieter than a public school, the students all wear uniforms, and instead of walking down long halls, they are taking elevators to class," says Marilyn.

On the last day, the Renaissance tutors arrived at the school with books that they thought their pupils would like. "They researched the books carefully and after showing them to their tutees, they were placed in the Lasell America Reads library with a dedication to their young students," explains Marilyn.

As the children and tutors said good-bye to each other, many hoped that they would be able to pick up their relationship in the fall. "The Lasell students were so gentle and wonderful. They always managed to pull in the child who was on the fringe and make him or her feel welcome," said Jessica Dugan, the Renaissance Director of Community and Business Partnerships. "



Smile! You're a kid at college.

#### For Uncommon Service

# Lasell Recognizes Two Distinguished Women

magine graduating from Lasell 57 years ago in 1948 and after all these years you still remember two women at the College who significantly influenced your life. That is the case for an anonymous member of the Class of 1948 who recently called the school and asked if she could fund two projects and name each for these special mentors of hers.

Who are these extraordinary women, you may be asking yourself? If you attended Lasell between 1925 and 1972 your paths may have crossed one or both of these women who collectively served Lasell College for 72 years. The first honoree



is Helen L. Beede, Class of 1921, who served Lasell as Recorder and Registrar from 1925 to 1967. To honor Ms. Beede's many years of service to the College,

four new study rooms that are being constructed in Brennan Library will be named in her memory.



The second honoree is June Babcock, who served the College as Professor of Latin and English, Dean and Acting President

between 1942 and 1972. For her many years of distinguished service a special space in Brennan Library will now be known as the "Babcock Graduate Student Lounge." What a wonderful way to keep two special women's memories alive on campus for every generation of students yet to attend the College. On the slate plaque that will identify the Babcock

Graduate Student Lounge, the donor asked that it be inscribed in Latin: "summum bonum," a phrase she fondly remembered Ms. Babcock saying all the time. It means "the greatest good." It could be said that the recognition of these two outstanding women is for the greatest good for Lasell College.

(If you would like to recognize someone who influenced your life during your years as a student at Lasell, contact Ruth Shuman, dean for Institutional Advancement at 617-243-2140 or at Rshuman@lasell.edu.)

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# Class Notes

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#### 1930's

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#### 1938

Our sincere condolences to Penny DeLaney Ogrinz on the death of her husband, Pete.

Our sincere condolences to Frances Monks Berig whose husband, David, passed away in August 2004. Frances is living with her son in Belmont, MA.

#### 1939

Our sincere condolences to Virginia Thomas Baxter on the death of her son.

# 1940's

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#### 1940

Marjorie Sherman was unable to attend reunion due to a slight heart attack. The alumni office wishes her a speedy recovery.

Shirley Van Wart Dane is still involved with her antique business. She spends six months in Essex, MA, and the other six months in Sarasota, FL. Shirley is still traveling and most recently enjoyed a western Caribbean cruise.

# Class of 1940



Dottie Ulrich Eagleson '40 represented the Class of 1940 at reunion in May.

#### 1941

Our sincere condolences to Eleanor Rawson Preston on the death of her husband, Herbert, in February.

# Class of 1941



Eleanor Pfaff Martin '41 and her husband, Ron, were with actress Patty Duke in February.

#### 1943

"The month of May always reminds me of canoeing on the Charles and races with the war canoes," writes Elinor Kuchler Hopkins. Elinor enjoyed her visit to Lasell in 2003 when she saw so many changes. She has two granddaughters.

Ann Preuss Gillerlain is a member of a garden club, does horticultural therapy work, and enjoys "all the normal things in my own garden."

About the three major hurricanes in the summer of 2004, Priscilla Spence Hall says, "Enough already." Priscilla lost power for three days in each storm, and her condo suffered minor roof damage.

#### 1944

Gloria Clifford Gifford is enjoying good health and her family of five married children, 12 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Carol Hill Hart spent an afternoon at the opera with President Tom de Witt and Margaret Ward this past winter.

#### 1945

Constance Arley Brown enjoyed trips to Banff, Lake Louise, and the Canadian Rockies as well as a paddleboat tour of the Lewis and Clark expedition route. Regarding completion of updates on her kitchen, dining room, family room, and master bath, she says, "Time to rest."

Eleanor Bradway Lammers is still active at her church and with several clubs. She says, "I wish I could have been there for reunion but the timing was not right. Hope everyone had a great time."

Jane Burnham Eliason combined her 6oth reunion with visits to her two grandsons in Boston.

Our sincere condolences to Bernice Coyne Boon on the loss of her husband, Jacob, in October 2004. Bernice keeps in touch with Priscilla Robbins Stahl.

Hope Daigneault Pezzullo still plays golf and goes to the gym but does a little less of each. She missed reunion because the weather in New England in May is too cold for her. Hope sends best wishes to her co-'45ers.

Jane Fullerton Carlson was traveling in Croatia at the time of reunion.

Nancy Gregg Kellas missed being at her 6oth reunion. She says, "I was thinking of you, and my best to all." Nancy has five sons, two daughters-in-law, and five grandkids. She says, "I finally got my girl in three granddaughters."

"Sorry to miss the 6oth, but I know you all had a great time," writes Elaine Macdonald Aldrich. Elaine and her husband have been married for 56 years. They have four children and seven grandchildren scattered throughout New York, New Jersey, and North Carolina. Elaine says, "Life has been good to us and keeps us busy."

Our sincere condolences to Barbara Mulcahy Witham whose husband, Kenneth, died in April 2003, right after his 80th birthday. Barbara says the

## Class of 1945



During spring break, March 2005, nine Lasell students and two staff advisors traveled to Immokalee, FL, to live in a homeless shelter and work with Habitat for Humanity. The week-long experience gave students knowledge about the homeless population and how Habitat for Humanity works to provide affordable housing for this population. Students were joined by President Tom de Witt, Trustee Sue Slocum Klingbeil '45, and Sue's husband, Overseer Bill Klingbeil. In the photo, Sue and Bill flank Jackie Janda '08.

highlight of her life now is playing with her six great-grandchildren.

Marion Munro Waitt is involved with church work, bowling, line dancing, and choir.

Dorothy Piper Bottalico says, "I am still with it (well, most of the time) and active. Giving piano lessons keeps me young. I travel to Hawaii every Christmas to be with my son, daughter, and grandson."



Front row (L to R) Jean Mitchell Hunter, Terry Bergeron Hoyt, June Ahner Stewart, Jane Burnham Eliason, Barbara Preuss Reynolds, Marion Munro Waitt, Martha Stonebraker Ely. Back row (L to R) Marilyn McNie Middlebrook, Dru Roberts Bickford, Dorothy Piper Bottalico, Eunice Powers Buxton, Sue Slocum Klingbeil.

# Class of 1945





Then and Now. Three members of the Class of 1945 had a great time at their own mini-reunion in May. (L to R) Priscilla Robbins Stahl, Marge Beebe Dill, Bernie Coyne Boon.

"Greetings and best wishes to my classmates. Sorry I was unable to be there for our 60th," writes Isabel Pollard Oleson.

"My life is busy running a business and seeing my children in Florida and California as well as those nearer to home," writes Eunice Powers Buxton.

Our sincere condolences to Virginia Rolfe Guy on the loss of her daughter to cancer in August 2004. Virginia sold her home in upstate NY and moved to Tucson where she is enjoying the sunshine.

A surprise weekend in Las Vegas with all 18 of her family was how Sue Slocum Klingbeil celebrated her birthday. Sue says, "It was absolutely phenomenal staying at the Luxor with a dinner at a five-star restaurant all beautifully planned by my children and husband, Bill."

#### 1947

Dorothea Chung Lang writes, "I have been blessed by good health and happiness. May it be the same for you."

#### 1948

Joanne Bossi True is enjoying retirement. She says she has more time now to work in the children's library at her church, take classes in watercolor

painting, study tai chi, babysit grandchildren, visit with family and friends, and read more books.

#### 1949

After 38 years in Connecticut, Eleanor Ritchie Elmore moved to Waltham, MA. Eleanor still has her house on the Cape and enjoys her 6-year-old grandson.

## 1950's

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#### 1950

Janet Bell Luening is the proud grandmother of her first grandchild.

After living in Florida for over 35 years, Virginia Davis Harbuck and her husband relocated to Hiawassee, GA and are enjoying the tranquility of the mountains and the lakes. Virginia says, "Life is good."

Phyllis Howard Conner moved to Largo, FL. Her plan is to visit the north only briefly.

"I missed being at reunion due to hip surgery," writes Sally Hughes Fasick.

# Class of 1949



Mini-reunion for Class of 1949 in Naples, FL. (L to R) Nancy Macdonough Jennings, Ann Ashley Sanderson, Marion Wilson Kennedy, Jackie Rollat Labar, Del Anderson Musgrave.

"Hopefully, we will all be there to enjoy our 6oth."

Anne Mastin Egner enjoyed her 50th reunion five years ago but couldn't make it to Lasell for her 55th. Anne moved from New Jersey where she lived all her life to New Hampshire where she is enjoying her new life.

Barbara McNeish Mancuso works parttime for the city of Ft. Lauderdale. She finds time to travel and visit her daughter who lives in Brooklyn, NY. Barbara missed reunion but says hi to everyone.

Janet Murphy George is active in town and church activities. Her travels included two river cruises in Europe, three on the Mississippi, and the Queen Mary 2.

Marni Nahigian Sarkisian enjoys her backyard in Weston, MA, with the waterfall, fish, birds, squirrels, and chipmunks. She also enjoyed trips to St. Maarten and Las Vegas. Last May, Chris Oliveto Davis cruised to Bermuda to celebrate 25 years of eating with her gourmet group. Chris' youngest daughter designs jewelry for museums.

An update from Doris Pinkham Collins: "I keep busy working part-time at the Art Complex Museum, reading stories to young children at the library, snowshoeing with my grandchildren, and traveling with friends and Lasell roommate, Sabie Turner Stockdale."

Marion Ribarich Connick has been spending winters at Timber Pines in Spring Hill, FL. She keeps in touch with Anne Carpenter Towle and Rosemarie Gschwander Giarrusso.

Joan Robilotto Gibson writes, "My husband and I are still traveling as much as we can. We are going back to favorite places and finding new ones. Cruising is our favorite, with a stop in Singapore, our home away from home."

Now that Barbara Rock Wallingford is retired, she is enjoying the yacht club in Benicia, CA. She has two children on the east coast, two on the west, and five grands. She writes, "I am 75! Where did the time go? I go back east usually in the fall, so I missed reunion. I enjoy reading about it, and wonder where the Clark gals are."

Sally Smith Brothers and her husband have lived in Slidell, LA, a small town 35 miles northeast of New Orleans, for 40 years, and raised their four children there. Sally enjoys yoga, line dancing, reading, and playing bridge.

Unable to attend reunion, Carolyn Snook Rauscher had foot surgery and was in a cast for six weeks. She writes, "I wish I had been there. So many new changes to see. Hi to all. Enjoy the fun and the lobster."

"Living the good life in the White Mountains of New Hampshire," writes Joan Wallace Billings. "Spent 10 days skiing in Park City, UT in February, but there was actually more snow at home."

After 18 years in California, Bonnie Reis Doe and her husband moved to Easton,

# Class of 1946



At a get-together in Maine in July, eight members of the Class of 1946 began planning their 60th reunion while enjoying a lobster dinner. Front row (L to R) Ginny Terhune Hersom, Muriel Ross Benshimol, Lynn Blodgett Williamson, Lee Pool Langley. Back row (L to R) Dorrie Crathern French, Phyllis Paige Downes, Ann Blake Perkins, Joan Hanson Blake.

# Class of 1950



Pat Lynch O'Brien '50 (seated) and Joanne Kelley Peters '50 recently discussed fond memories of 4th-floor Woodland Hall and the Casino – "where we all gambled with life and love." The former roommates met in Washington, DC, where Pat's son received the Arizona Middle School Principal of the Year Award. Their husbands, Jack and Walt, agree that they've never seen better looking grandmas.

# Class of 1950



Front row (L to R) Jackie Paulding Hauser, Claire Dodge Davis, Janet Murphy George, Chris Oliveto Davis, Marni Nahigian Sarkisian. Back row (L to R) Janet Bell Luening, Nancy Burrows Putnam, Joyce Davies Harrison, Jean Davies Stanley, Anita Angelus Koulopoulos.

MD. Bonnie says, "We're enjoying our new home, and I've been happy taking music courses at the local universities." A collection of her piano compositions was published in 2003. Bonnie explains, "Each piece is dedicated to one of my six grandchildren."

1952

From Cherry Hill, NJ, Nancy Allen Banks writes, "Moving to the Carolinas to be nearer to family living in the south is a strong possibility. We now have nine grandchildren."

Dottie Mulhere Barrett says they were hit hard by the hurricanes, but they are almost back to normal. She and her husband celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June.

1953

Joan Darelius Chirnside and her husband celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June. She writes, "Our family stays busy. Our oldest grand-daughter graduated from college in May, and our youngest son and his wife are expecting their second set of twins."

"Still slugging away at Thirteen/WNET in New York," writes Mary Ann Donahue. Mary Ann was looking forward to her first "real" vacation in decades – a trip to Mexico.

Shirley Gibbons San Soucie enjoys visits with family and friends in Oak Bluffs

on Martha's Vineyard during the summer, but spends most of her time at her condo in Longwood, FL.

Our sincere condolences to Lillian Medhurst Meiggs on the death of her husband, William.

**Donna Ross Hurle**y enjoys being on Cape Cod in the summer and in Sarasota, FL, in the winter.

Audrey Thompson Rielle and her husband are still enjoying life in Florida. They escaped the hurricanes last fall because they were up north visiting children and grandchildren in Chicago, Michigan, and New York. Audrey sees Jeanette Roberts Mann, Bunny Coats Stryeski, and Jane Corbin Post.

1954

Nancy Swanson Horsfield's oldest grandson graduated from Boston University in May 2004. Nancy sees her "roomie," Joan Trenholm Morris, who now spends summers in New Hampshire. She also gets together with Mary Atterbury Bradshaw.

1955

After nine years in retail, Joan Baker Cornell returned to college and completed a Master's in Social Work. She retired in 1996. Joan says, "I am now enjoying a more relaxed life including summers in the Finger Lakes area of NY and winter travels. She has three grandchildren.

Terry Brossi Ciarcia boasts of a wonderful family of four children and seven grandchildren. She is involved in several town and church charities and community service groups. Terry says she and her husband have been fortunate to do extensive traveling in their retirement years.

Jackie Cain Sheils enjoys wintering in Fort Myers, FL, but looks forward to April when she returns home to Massachusetts where her four children live.

This year, Carolyn Chapin Snyder and her husband, Ed, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They moved from their house of 40 years in Longmeadow, MA, to a new condo in Wilbraham. Carolyn still enjoys quilting and traveling. She has five children and nine grandchildren.

Mimi Chol Smith retired as an oncology R.N. After living in Cincinnati for 35 years, she and her husband moved to "paradise," otherwise known as Sarasota, FL. They have five kids combined. Mimi has been hand-weaving since 1967 and loves it.

Diana Hendley Cooper and her husband spent a wonderful day with Jacqueline Cain Sheils and Mary Lee Gowdy Belcourt and her husband when they were in Marco Island in March.

Charleen Herrling Smith is still living in central New York but spends winters in her second home in New Zealand. She says, "Come on down."

From Honolulu, Bobbie Jennings writes, "I don't know who is more disappointed that I cannot be at reunion – my 50-year-old ukulele that still sits on a shelf awaiting 'smoker' songs, or me, who still remembers the words to all of those songs but not what I had for dinner yesterday." Bobbie says, "Thank you, Lasell, for not only the academic education, but for the worldly one."

Lee Kerkins Monticone is still working as a real estate agent and loving it. She writes, "I make time for golf, bridge, camera club, and friends. This year travels will include New Mexico, CT, MA, southern CA, Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Berlin, and Vienna. I have six wonderful grandchildren, ages 5-15, and just love being with them."

# Class of 1955 - Briggs House



Back row (L to R) Carol Merwin Robinson, Fran Bristol, Jackie Cain Sheils, Sue Clark Johnson Front row (L to R) Joan Murano Swanson, Diana Hendley Cooper, Lee Kerkins Monticone, Phyllis Thompson Vesey.

Eight years ago, Sally Cranton Nolan retired from Digital Equipment Corp. and moved to Cape Cod. She enjoys walking on the beach, watching the tourists, and being secretary to an Eastern Star chapter. She says, "I count my blessings often."

In 2003, Priscilla Fenton Abercrombie and her husband sold their print shop and became retirees. They travel back east to visit Priscilla's 98-year-old mother several times a year. Priscilla enjoys her seven grandchildren.

Tish Gura Conroy plays tennis, a little golf, and is constantly knitting for her grandchildren. She just recently traveled to New Zealand and Bora Bora.

Gigi Harold retired from NBC in 1992. She keeps busy with daily exercise classes. Occasionally she ventures into Manhattan to lunch with friends and attend the ballet at Lincoln Center.

Beverly Kimball Lamburn was anxious to meet more classmates at reunion. She says, "Wow, the years fly by fast!" Beverly says it is great that her four grands live nearby.

"We've been in Sarasota for II years and have been lucky, so far, to avoid hurricanes," writes Lois Kuhn Hopson. Lois enjoys traveling and had her 5-year-old granddaughter for most of the summer. She was sorry to miss reunion.

Our sincere condolences to Sandra Lally Hovey on the death of her mother in January. Her mother had been living with her since their move to Vancouver, WA, in 1998. Sandra is still working part-time at a Montessori School.

Lucille Marden Randall is busy traveling and enjoying five great-grandchildren. She is active in church and the order of Eastern Star.



Summer 2004 on a Canadian maritime tour, (L to R) Joan Wallace Billings '50 met Sally Herman DeRosa '56. Their tour leader was an ex-Canadian mountie.

# Class Notes

After 21 years, Millie Monahan Regan retired from McLean Hospital and moved back to Arlington, MA, with the purchase of a new condo. Millie says, "Life is full of family, seven grandchildren, and wonderful friends."

Joan Murano Swanson is an administrator for dental research at the University of Rochester. Joan traveled throughout the year to various parks, resorts, and mountains. She enjoys her four grandsons.

With the birth of a new grandson, Linda Nolin Ahern now has a total of five. She went to Orlando, FL, to watch her oldest grandson play in the Pop Warner Super Bowl.

Lucinda Nolin Johnson is enjoying retirement and loves condo living because of all the activities – golf, bridge, mah jongg. She had a few health concerns but says they are now behind her. She saw Leslie Trautman Smith this spring and is off to Switzerland and France with Marion Locke Nutter.

"I wish I could have attended reunion but my granddaughter was graduating from college the same weekend," says Jean Ryder Tyler. "The events sounded great, and I missed reconnecting with classmates. My retirement as an ordained minister is wonderful."

CJ Somers Ogrodnik was looking forward to renewing old friendships at reunion. She retired once but is now working part-time. She and her husband had a vacation home built in northern NY where they own a "Sugar Bush." They assist their nephew in making maple syrup. CJ admits that her nephew does most of the work.

Our sincere condolences to Francine Symonds Paresky on the death of her husband of 36 years. Francine lives in Framingham, MA, and has three children and two grandchildren.

Phyllis Thompson Vesey lived in Germany, Japan, and Sri Lanka. She retired to Arizona. She has four children and seven grandchildren.

Nancy Tripp Taylor is a widow with three children. She is a county legislator in Penn Yan, NY. She loves golf and travel.

Retirement gives Jean Van Buskirk Swanfeldt plenty of time to be a spectator at her eight grandchildrens' soccer and lacrosse games.

#### 1956

After living in sunny, southern
California for many years, Joyce Sloan
Penny and her husband moved back
to Canada where Joyce was born.
"However," Joyce says, "I was not
about to spend time in the cold and
snow of my native Toronto." In 2002
they bought a condo in Victoria which
lies on the shores of the Straight of
Juan De Fuca and looks out across the
water to the Olympic Mountains and
Washington State. She says, "We
could not be happier with our choice
for retirement."

#### 1957

Cynthia Clark Rose-Frazee says her home and Punta Gorda are slowly recovering from Hurricane Charlie. "It is exciting to see renewal and rebuilding in the community but sad to see historical buildings destroyed because of the damage."

In February, Joan Pethybridge Thompson had lunch with Sandra Bristol Walters and Ann Bidwell Sanborn in Fort Myers, FL. They had a great time reminiscing.

#### 1958

Harriet Beard Ackerman moved from Illinois back to Connecticut.

#### 1959

Carolyn Wood Brox says it is always fun to have a Lasell gathering at her home in Punta Gorda, FL.

## 1960's

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#### 1960

Cricket Bigelow George says she is busier now in retirement than when working full-time. "I am finally getting to some of those projects I kept putting off. I'm just moving a little slower."

Barbara Bogert Wahlberg writes, "So sorry to miss reunion. Love to all 1960 classmates." Barbara says all is well. "Both of our children are married, and daughter, Susan Wahlberg Morch'88, gave us our only granddaughter so far."

Faith Bowker-Maloney retired after 33 years of teaching. For the past six years, she has been raising four grand-children. Faith is involved in many activities and loves living by the ocean.

Since retiring in 2002, Rayna Lee Caplan pursues new interests. She is an elected official of the Lincoln, MA, Housing Commission, vice chairman of the Friends of Lincoln Library, and a mentor for a Lost Boy of Sudan. Rayna Lee still has time to travel and spends summers at a cottage in Mattapoisett, MA.

"Still active selling real estate in the Hartford area," writes Joan Corthouts McCormick. "I have managed to stay in the 'top three producers' for the last 10 years despite lots of time on the golf course and time with three grand-daughters. What fun!"

Frances Fleming Kennedy continues to see lots of Lasell alums regularly, "with lots of awesome get-togethers."

In 2004, Susan Gage Barros retired and is now enjoying community activities such as choral singing, garden club, and volunteering. She has three grandchildren.

"Love to all my friends from Woodland and Converse. Forty-five years! Where did the time go!" asks Elaine Gagnon Wheaton.

"I am enjoying retirement even though I didn't think I was prepared for it," writes Lynda Green Scourtis. "I took a wonderful trip to Greece and hope to travel to Russia next year."

Joan Herrick Cauley is loving her retirement in Sarasota, FL. She writes, "I met my husband, Jerry, in Florida, 43 years ago. We enjoy travel, the beach, and spending time with our two sons." Joan is active in her church and is a volunteer with hospice and the health department.

Wendy Holmes-Pearson is in private practice doing behavioral therapy. She swims 72 laps four times a week for fitness. She just reconnected with a guy she dated at Lasell. Wendy has two grandsons.

Barbara Jacoby Adelstein enjoys travel, tai chi, and scrabble. Most of all, she loves her two granddaughters in Massachusetts. Our sincere condolences to Sally Kemp Scammon on the death of her husband in March.

Karen Kirk Macintosh is working as a special education assistant on the kindergarten level. Her son is in college.

"I continue to work as an educational consultant, placing students in prep schools and colleges, often recommending Lasell," writes Michele Poirier Gorman. "My greatest honor is serving as a trustee at the Brooklyn Heights Montessori where my grandchildren attend."

Barbara Rahner Reese is working on a Ph.D. in social anthropology. She is a new grandma to her grandson who lives in California.

Our sincere condolences to Anita Ramirez Zayas on the death of her mother in October 2004. Anita hails from San Juan, Puerto Rico. This summer, her two sons, their wives, and her four grandchildren will be visiting. About her years at Lasell, Anita says, "They were very special to me. Wish I had been there for reunion."

Sue Spangenberg Straley retired after 26 years of owning a B&B and gift shop. She is living in an in-law apartment in her daughter's home. She has four grandchildren.

Linda Teich Bennett is enjoying retirement in Arizona. Her next trip will be a cruise around the Greek IsIes. She hopes everyone had a great time reunion weekend and sends a special hello to her Hawthorne friends.

"I have joined the elite society of retirees," writes Joyce Wheeler Gardner.

Joan White Martin is enjoying retirement and was looking forward to reunion.

"Life in retirement is wonderful," writes Sue York Stadtfeld. "Busy, fun, filled with adventure. Five grandchildren are the light of my life. I'm so fortunate to have them all close by." Regarding her 45th reunion, Sue says, "Where did the years go?"

#### 1961

Judith Broggi Nicolosi writes, "After 35 years, my husband and I retired to Florida. Yikes! Are we really that old?"

Because of problems with her eyes, Janet Edwards Rockwood moved to Encinitas, CA, to be near her daughter. Janet says, "I am excited and positive about this new chapter in my life."

Connie Hofberg Ford is still working in the home health field. She enjoys fishing with her daughter and grandson. She says her New Jersey grandsons are growing up too fast.

Regarding her marriage to an old high school friend in March, Karla Robinson Dunham admits, "I had a crush on him in high school. It took him only 48 years to ask me out. We are very happy."



First row (L to R) Fran Fleming Kennedy, Sue Spangenberg Straley, Faith Bowker Maloney, Mary McCartney Kuhrtz, Joyce Wheeler Gardner, Joan White Martin, Michele Poirier Gorman. Second row (L to R) Karen Kirk Macintosh, Susan Gage Barros, Barbara McAlary Kashar, Linda Telfer, Marion Chenault Woodley, Elaine Waters Shaunessy, Wendy Holmes-Pearson. Last row (L to R) Cricket Bigelow George, Susann York Stadtfeld, Lynda Green Scourtis, Barbara Rahner Reese, Rayna Lee Caplan.

1962

"At long last, I have returned to school and am working towards a B.S. in liberal arts," writes Carolyn Grant Leary. "It is much harder than I remember."

1963

Our sincere condolences to Carol Fox Borrow on the death of her mother in July.

#### 1964

Susan Marx Thompson and her husband live in Orlando and are having a great time with their three grandchildren. She says, "I think of Lasell often. It is amazing how memorable two years can be."

Our sincere condolences to Elaine Murray Galemba on the death of her sister, Janet Murray McEwen '61.

#### 1965

Laurel Brown Bickell and her husband have two married sons and one granddaughter. She is a realtor with Coldwell Banker in Marblehead, MA.

Marie Coven Kaplowitz celebrated 15 years with the American Diabetes Association. She is looking forward to her son's wedding in October. Marie and her husband have been married 36 years.

Sheila Fish Millard got her B.S. in nursing from Cornell University in 1968. She now lives in Chapel Hill, NC, has two children, and three grandchildren.

Life is busy in Chatham on Cape Cod for Linda Foster Nixon who is involved with First Night and the public library. An invitation from Linda: "Come to the beach and visit."

Kathleen Goulder Plante has been working at the University of New Orleans for the past 18 years. Kathleen says, "My delight is my two granddaughters, ages 6 and 2."

Mary Harrison Lansing is teaching pre-kindergarten at a Catholic school in Illinois. She is the proud grandmother of two.

"I missed being with everyone at reunion, especially my pals from

# Class of 1964



"Golden Girls" go to Italy in September 2004. (L to R) Susan Tenney Noble, Lee Dunstane Vandermark, Penny Brewster Martyn, Ruth Sawyer Staley. A gondoliere looks over their shoulders.

# Class of 1965



Front row (L to R) Cree Bruins, Susan Rosenfeld, Priscilla Davis Johnson, Betsy Clapp Champlin, Virginia Pedrick Searle, Wendy Gaillard Zawolik. Second row (L to R) Laurel Brown Bickell, Janet Muir Garrity, Katie Steinmetz Dater, Karen Pedersen Silverthorn, Marcia Meldram Mitchell, Linda Foster Nixon, Ellie Lamson Brewster. Back row (L to R) Emilie Rowe Zucker, Susanne Johnson Nicolazzo, Marge Story Brown, Elisse Allinson Share, Deborah DeStaebler MacGowan, Sheila Fish Millard.

Briggs," writes Cameron Hough Riggs. Cameron is living and working in Santa Fe. She is student director for the Rosen Center Southwest and is learning how to teach Rosen movement, which she says is great fun. "What a far cry from fashion illustration, my major at Lasell!"

Our sincere condolences to Ellie Lamson Brewster whose husband, Bruce, passed away in April 2004. She and her two married daughters live in Sarasota, FL

This May, Rhoda Eloise LeMay moved from Pennsylvania to Michigan to be closer to her daughter and grandson. The move was the reason she couldn't make the 40th reunion. Rhoda still keeps in touch with Anne DeArment Kleffel and Dorothy Miller Sherrick.

Marcia Meldram Mitchell is working full-time as an office manager and surgical assistant. She has three children, four grandchildren, and plays tennis.

"Before retiring to Hilton Head," writes Janet Muir Garrity, "my husband and I owned and operated a restaurant in Sea Isle City, NJ, for 30 years."

Karen Pedersen Silverthorn is a personal assistant to concert violinist, James Graseck, who appeared in the movie "One True Thing" starring Meryl Streep and William Hurt. Karen says, "The secretarial skills I acquired at Lasell were certainly well worth it." Karen says her years of volunteer experience as a docent and secretary have been rewarding.

"I enjoy traveling to exotic places such as South Africa, and, hopefully soon, to Egypt," writes Virginia Pedrick Searle. Virginia says, "Our grandson is a huge joy to us."

Susan Rosenfeld lives in Orlando.

Ellen Sweeney Fox is traveling and enjoying life.

#### 1967

"This could be a first," writes Kathy Morgan Lucey '67. "My mom, my daughter, my two granddaughters, and I had lunch together in Valentine Dining Hall in September 2004."

Carol Scielzo Horn works for an investment bank in New York City. She and her husband live in Huntington, NY. She has one son. Carol says, "I would love to hear from my classmates."

#### 1968

Heather Heath Reed is working for the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corp. in Fall River, MA. She and her husband live in Westport, MA, in the home she grew up in. Heather has two daughters.

#### 1969

Dana Cooper Purvis still helps with her husband's business, works part-time as a church secretary, and sees as much of her 4-year-old grandson as possible.

# 1970's

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#### 1970

Our sincere condolences to Marinell Cushman Gillen on the death of her mother, Ruth Shepard Cushman '39, in February.

Marianne Thomen Williams met her husband, Rich, on spring break 1970, and they have been married for 30 years. She has worked at the North Shore Medical Center in Salem, MA, for 18 years. She has two children. Marianne has traveled throughout the US and lived in California for three years before settling in Salem. She writes, "I would love to hear from the Karandon Kuties of '69 and '70."

#### 1971

Veda Fitzgibbons Connolly and her husband celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with a 2-week vacation to Hawaii. Veda has a son and a daughter. She sends her love to Sue Zulauf Sharp and Barbara Knutson Hart.

"Just got back from Vancouver and Alaska where the sights were unbelievable," writes Martha Garshman Spector '71. "Hope our class can come together for reunion weekend 2006.

#### 1973

Our sincere condolences to Ruth Cushman Johnson on the death of her mother, Ruth Shepard Cushman '39, in February.

Janet Peck Riordan says she has been living in southern California for 30 years and has lost track of so many of the fabulous women in her class.

An update from Rosemary Ross: "Some things never change. I'm still involved with theatre and music and am still in touch with some of the Babson boys. I still have long hair (I grow it long, cut it, and donate it to Locks of Love)."

#### 1974

Lucy Lindeman Carty is still living on the Cape. Every summer she looks forward to their charter boat business in which they take people fishing on Cape Cod Bay. Lucy is also enjoying her 2-year-old granddaughter.

#### 1975

Cynthia Cooke just bought a brownstone apartment in Boston's south end. She has two sons.

#### 1978

Donna Kelly-Williams and Patricia Ray attended Judith Cronin Flaherty's wedding on a beautiful day last fall. Patricia says it was a mini-nursing class reunion.

#### 1979

Donna Appleyard Gould writes, "I noticed in the spring *Leaves* that our class had no news. It makes me sad to think that our class has nothing to say. Come on girls (ladies), we were a great



Mimi Cushman Gillen represented the Class of 1970 at reunion.

# Classes of '75 & '80



Front row (L to R) Amy Tichnor and Rosanna Cafarella Greco. Back row Lisa Simmons '80.

class! Twenty-five years ago, my wedding party was made up of some of you. Yes, we lost touch, but it is not too late." Donna continues, "As for me, my daughter graduated from college this May and my son is at UMass. My husband is the same guy you all met way back then and is the police chief in the town we live – Rye, NH. I am working as a substitute teacher after retiring from teaching preschool for 23 years. Life is good. Let's keep in touch."

## 1980's

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#### 1980

Our sincere condolences to Deborah Scammon Haven on the death of her father in March.

#### 1985

For almost seven years, Arlene Strauss has been living in Woodstock, GA, with her dog. She writes, "I have been enjoying my house and my business that I started in September 2001. It is a Concierge and Personal Assistant Service – anything from running errands, to driving someone to an appointment, to computer work, and, of course, pet companionship." Arlene says she has lost touch with most of her wonderful Lasell friends and would love to have contact with them. She continues, "I cannot believe we graduated 20 years ago, and some of you have more than two children!"

#### 1987

Our sincere condolences to Patricia Celli Tomczyk on the loss of her father in 2004.

Kimberly Lufkin writes, "I am proud to say that I just completed a 6-month program in therapeutic massage, and I am starting my own business in Gloucester, MA."

#### 1989

Since 2003, Barbara Post has been working full-time at Barnes & Noble in Dartmouth, MA.

Our sincere condolences to Susan Tubridy '89/'95 on the death of her mother, Barbara Thompson Tubridy '59, in March.

## 1990's

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#### 1990

Kellie Scales Portman is a social worker for Ohio Child Welfare. She has been married to her husband, Charles, for eight years, and has two stepchildren.

Suzanne Yee Gaffney writes, "I came back to Lasell for the first time since graduation for our reunion weekend. There was only one other person from our class – Kellie Scales Portman. I would love to catch up and hear what is going on with all of you."

#### 1992

Kristin Melone Lakacha has been working for Marriott Corp. for the past 13 years. She remembers the birth of her third child because "it was right after the Red Sox beat the Yankees." Kristin would love to hear from classmates in the Boston area.

#### 1993

Gayle Lucido Movalli has been married 10 years and has three daughters, ages 9, 7, and 2.

#### 1995

Kim Coogan DeCrescenzo works for Tufts University. She and her husband, Stephen, have two children.

Amy Galeota Provencal and her husband moved to West Haven, CT. She had been working as a teacher's assistant with blind and multi-impaired children. She is looking for a new job, possibly as a P.T.A.

# Class of 1995



Debbie Lestch '95, an avid Red Sox fan, posed with the World Series trophy.

# Class of 1995



Back row (L to R) Debbie Lestch, Kim Coogan DeCrescenzo, Heidi Learson. Front row (L to R) Dianne Randall O'Hearn, Lisa Giangregorio Stanton '96.

An update from Debbie Lestch: "I am still looking for the perfect job in the teaching field while I work at an assisted living facility in Brookline. I have also been working part-time in Baby/Kids Gap for the past two years."

#### 1996

As soon as Jami Zaiatz Stebbins' son, Charlie, was born, she became a stay-at-home mom. Five years later, she says, "I absolutely love all that I have gotten to experience by being a stay-at-home mother. It is truly my calling."

#### 1997

Barbara Ortega Alicea says her household is busy with her 6-year-old daughter and her twin daughters born in January.

Carrieann Ray writes, "I heard there are quite a few changes since 1997, mainly MEN. I guess I wouldn't be as apt to go to classes in pj's anymore."

Lori Whitney is the operations manager at Tiffany & Co. in Chestnut Hill, MA. She says, "I have been with the company for almost five years, and I absolutely love it! What's not to love about diamonds, right?"

#### 1998

Stacy Rawson Sheldon writes, "My first time back to Lasell was when I joined my cousin, Rich Bruno '07, who had a tour of Lasell when he was thinking about applying. I have to admit that it is still strange to me for my male cousin to be at Lasell. And the campus has grown so much." Stacy is a business office manager at a nursing home. She is thinking about coming back to Lasell to earn a Master's in Elder Care.

#### 1999

Rosa Andrade is working in the adolescent unit of the Department of Social Services. She says, "I love working there." She is also doing some consulting work around trauma. Rosa says hi to her classmates.

Jodi Crafts Flaherty is a sales manager for the Chase Suite Hotel in Des Moines. She says, "It is a 40-minute commute, but I love my job."

# Class of 1998



Carissa Templeton '98 told the inside story about what law school is really like as well as shared tips on applying to law school with Lasell College students majoring in criminal justice. Carissa graduated from Brooklyn Law School in May.

Julie McLaughlin is an optical technician/administrative assistant to the eye doctors at Lenscrafters in Cambridge, MA.

It was an exciting year for Julie Monaco Giles. She got married in March and earned an M.B.A. from Bentley College in May. Her matron of honor was Jaime Johnson Burge.

#### 2000's

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#### 2000

Aimee Abdallah proofreads recordings for digital talking books. She is also helping to organize a bowl-a-thon to raise money for families of spinal muscular atrophy. Aimee lives in Derry, NH.

**Priscilla Drakeford Powers** owns a travel agency in Bedford, NH.

#### 2002

"I am doing great, making things happen," writes Lawens Fevrier. "I am a Rhode Island State Trooper and am



Front row (L to R) Mary Crowley Boughman, Erin Andrews. Back row (L to R) Aimee Abdallah, Gina Cunha Boyd, Shakira Watson King.

# Classes of '01 & '02



A mini-Lasell reunion at Mohegan Sun, CT, this spring. (L to R) Lesbie Perez Bramble '01, Jerry Dumais '02, Ashley Seybold '03, Brittany Jackson '01, Lawens Fevrier '02, Gus Batista '02.

planning to go back to school to start my Master's in Political Science."

Sarah King is living and studying in England. She writes, "I miss Boston and was upset that I was in London when the Sox won it all."

Grace Ann Miceli is still at JP Morgan Chase in their Investment Bank in New York.

Shannon Muscatello Saraidarian's son turned one year in February.

2003

In January, Karina Fontanez became a residence life coordinator at Lincoln University and moved to Oxford, PA. She is working toward her Master's in education with a concentration in student affairs.

Laura Miller Schneider is the Assistant Director of Student Financial Planning at Lasell. In her spare time she is designing and sewing wedding gowns. Laura also teaches a fashion class at Mt. Ida College. Ashley Seybold is a staffing administrator for Fidelity Investments in Boston.

2004

Katelyn MacIlvane is manager of Studio Mac in her hometown of Windsor, CT. She is also a makeup artist for Toni Guy and was selected to train with the makeup artist from "America's Next Top Model," a reality TV show.

Angela Mandarini is working in the National Accounts Department at Reflex Lighting in South Boston.

Mitchell Phillips works as an IT consultant in Waltham, MA, lives in Brighton, and is currently back at Lasell getting a Master's in Management. He says, "I couldn't get enough of the wonderful place. Everything else is good in my life, the best it has been in a long time. If any of the people I used to hang out with want to get together, hit me up."

Jennifer Pothier is a product evaluation coordinator for Stride Rite Corp. in Lexington, MA.

Amy Sprague is an apparel buyer for two full-line stores based in Maine. She says, "Shopping for a living definitely isn't bad. When orders are arriving, opening the packages is like Christmas everyday."

# Class of 2003



It's official! Breeanna Barnes '03 and Matthew Beaupre '03 got married in May 2005 surrounded by many of their friends from Lasell College. (L to R) Amanda Boyum Botelho '03, Danielle Zacharek '03, Breeanna's sister Marisa, Cyndi Smith '04, Crysta Fernandez '03, Emily Lenz '03, and Meghan Darragh '03.

2005

Heidi Hanna '05 is the new administrative assistant in the Office of Student Affairs at Lasell College. She is also head coach for the girls' field hockey team at Newton North High School.

# Nota Bene



Diane Donatio, Assistant Professor.

On May 26, 2005, Assistant Professor Diane Donatio passed away. She had been a full-time faculty member in Lasell's Humanities Department for

four years and she was known for her devotion to her work and to her students. Her composition, journalism, and communications courses were overwhelmingly popular; Diane's unswerving attention to the best in any individual brought out that best in her students and earned her their respect and gratitude. In addition, Diane was the consummate practitioner of connected learning. For her, bringing the world into the classroom and the classroom into the world represented a natural approach to teaching; her course assignments and projects involved engaging activities through which students developed useful, relevant competencies.

Diane was also very active in the Lasell community. She guided student groups as they brought out several editions of the college newspaper; a talented leader, she chaired the faculty's Professional Development Committee for two years.

Always ready to reach out, to lend a hand, or to share her characteristic good humor, Diane was beloved throughout the Lasell community. Her many friends are grateful for the gift of her life and will miss her deeply.

Contributions in Diane's memory may be made to the Lasell College Annual Fund.



Gloria T. Mead, Administrative Assistant.

Gloria T. Mead died on June 20, 2005. Gloria started at Lasell in 1989, working for the President's team before becoming the administrative assistant for the School of Allied Health and Sports Studies and the Center for Advising and First Year Programs. She was totally committed to the College and to the faculty and students with whom she worked. Her positive and down-to-earth attitude made people gravitate to her and the advising office was a place where students felt free to come to relax and chat. She knew students from all majors and stayed in touch with them long after graduation. She epitomized what Lasell is all about and her friendly face and constant smile will be much missed.



Priscilla Winslow '35.

Priscilla Winslow, daughter of former Lasell College President Guy M. Winslow and Clara (Austin) Winslow, died on

July 1, 2005. Born on October, 8, 1915, in Karandon House, she attended Lasell from nursery school to graduation in the Class of 1935. She received an A.B. degree from Tufts University in 1937. She worked in the Lasell Registrar's Office and then, for nine years, served as Lasell Alumnae Secretary. Although she continued her career at MIT and Harvard Business School, her ties to Lasell were central to her life. She wrote, "Lasell is a part of me, and there are not many, if any, who have had as long a connection as I have." She served as a Corporator for 65 years and remembered attending meetings when they were held in Bragdon Hall. Upon her resignation in 2003, she was named Corporator emerita. She was awarded the Lasell Medallion in 1985.

She leaves a brother, Donald J. Winslow (Lasell trustee emeritus), and his wife Charlotte (Lasell Corporator), and a sister-in-law, Barbara Winslow, widow of Priscilla's brother Richard (a Lasell trustee for many years). She was predeceased by her sister, Marjorie (Winslow) MacCuspie '28. In the 1935 Lasell Yearbook she is described as having, "a quiet modesty which most becomes a woman." She will be missed by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held on October 16 at 2 p.m. at the Yamawaki Art and Cultural Center at Lasell College. Memorial donations may be made to Lasell College Archives, c/o Catherine Black, 1844 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02466.

# Nota Bene

#### Marriages

Barbara Baldwin '50 to Donald Bourcier on May 16, 2004

Karla Robinson '61 to Edward Dunham on March 25, 2005

Cameron Hough '65 to Thomas Riggs in October 1996

Judi Cronin '78 to Richard Flaherty in fall 2004

Kathy Urner '83 to Larry Jones on June 26, 2005

Marie Sackett '94 to Youri Tretiakov on April 17, 2004

Amy Galeota '95 to Michael Provencal on June 29, 2002

Shannon Muller '95 to Eric Dean on October 16, 2004

Kelley Forwood '96 to Tom Holmwood on July 4, 2002

Melissa Kelley '96 to Alex Berkov in October 2004

Kristin Earl '98 to Anthony Morais on May 1, 2004

Julie Monaco '99 to Jason Giles on March 5, 2005

George Tammaro 'or to Jacqueline

Manzi on July 16, 2004

Joanne Benesh '02 to Jason Campbell

on April 17, 2004 Shannon Muscatello '02 to Serge

Saraidarian on September 5, 2004

Breeanna Barnes '03 to Matthew Beaupre '03 on May 27, 2005

Beth Lyons '03 to Rick Chamberlain on June 28, 2003

Kerry Ann McEvoy '04 to Raymond Cranton on May 21, 2005

#### **Births**

Julie Zollo Barra '89, a son, Andrew Michael, on December 6, 2004

Kristin Melone Lakacha '92, a son, Sean Elvis, in October 2004

Kristine Bell Smith '94, a son, Liam Porter, on April 19, 2005

Jennifer Mullin Casella '94, a son, Drew Anthony, April 18, 2005

Barbara Ortega Alicea '97, twin daughters, Analise Esperanza and Abigail Michelle, on January 21, 2005

Cathy Metivier Forrest '00, a daughter, Caroline Dorothea-Jean, on January 22, 2005

Jennifer Benton Hunter '01, a daughter, Isabella, in January 2004

Joanne Benesh Campbell '02, a son, Anthony Roger, on January 11, 2005

Beth Lyons Chamberlain '03, a daughter, Ava Reed, on June 10, 2004

Beth Lyons Chamberlain '03, adopted Brianna and Madison, on January 25, 2005

#### **Deaths**

Melba Keasor Hodgkins '21 on March 21, 2005

Elizabeth Palmer Bedell '29 on February 6, 2005

Virginia Riley Richardson '31 in April 2005

Gertrude Stone Baptiste '32 on February 19, 2005

Eleanor Dippel Reed '35

Roberta Leonard Matthews '35 on March 15, 2005

Joyce Stearns Conger '35 on February 3, 2005

Margaret Weber Hodges '35 on March 16, 2005

Priscilla Winslow '35 on July 1, 2005

Ruth Shepard Cushman '39 on February 6, 2005

Delpha Corazza Marchetti '40 on July 4, 2005

Julia Rankin Sprague '40 on May 16, 2005

Barbara Richardson Ripley '40 on June 7, 2005

Natalie Ashton Blake '41

Jean Jewell Edwards '42 on June 15, 2005

Mary Ellen Metzger Simpson '42 on April 18, 2005

Margaret Emery Shields '43 on April 24, 2005

Ann Stillman Wassell '43 on June 18, 2005

Edna Barker Nelson '44 on February 18, 2005

Constance Weldon Cox '45

Jeanne Knox Hatch '46 on March 25, 2005

Ann Sprague Tolman '47 on March 6, 2005

Janet Brooks Barnes '48 on April 3, 2005

Margaret Staples Blair '48 on April 10, 2005

Margaret Dobbie Lamarca '49 on May 17, 2005

Janice Halligan Maria '50

Lorraine LeClaire Ridgway '50 on March 16, 2005

Charmaine Talbot Swartz '50 on June 1, 2005

Peggyanne Riker Miller '51 on July 11, 2005

Elizabeth Sleight Dexter '53 on February 18, 2005

Sondra Gunberg Homsy '54 on April 22, 2005

Elaine Daniels Posnick '59

Barbara Thompson Tubridy '59 on March 10, 2005

Judith Blake Mitchell '60 on January 8, 2005

Janet Murray McEwen '61

Karen Tharl Marchand '70 on March 16, 2005

Diane Donatio, faculty, on May 26, 2005

Grace Felker, retired faculty, March 1, 2005

Gloria Mead, staff, on June 20, 2005

Mary Blatchford Van Etten, retired faculty, on May 8, 2005



Mary Blatchford Van Etten, Academic Dean.

Mary Blatchford Van Etten passed away on May 8, 2005. Hired by President Guy Winslow as registrar in 1939, she was later appointed academic dean by President Raymond Wass. Through her efforts, a three year nursing program was begun at Lasell in 1954. The enrollment in the program rapidly increased until it became one of the College's largest departments. She is remembered for her many years of service and her commitment to the growth of Lasell.

#### **Demystifying Calculus**

# Malini Pillai Uses Writing as the Route to Retention of Math Concepts



Professor Malini Pillai

Malini Pillai, the Pied Piper of calculus, is devoted to the idea that mathematics is our friend. On a career-long campaign to make math a fear-free zone for those afflicted with math phobia, she has successfully desensitized math-anxious faculty and staff at on-campus workshops, and her students.

Always looking for new ways in which to make a tough subject more palatable, Professor Pillai, as part of the Davis Educational Foundation Connected Learning Curricular Development Grant, embarked on using writing to improve student learning in Calculus 1.

"My goal was to follow the recommendations of the Calculus Reform Movement, initiated by the Calculus Consortium at Harvard University, which found that, nationally, only 40 percent of students pass calculus — "the gateway to science" — with a grade of D or better," Malini explains.

Following recommendations of Undergraduate Math Education Research (UME) and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), she decided to study how writing could improve student learning and retention in calculus.

"I introduced writing in Calci to facilitate reflecting, critical thinking, understanding, learning in depth, and the retention of math concepts." Goals and course objectives of the project were to:

- Guide students in the development of their writing skills through a course portfolio to help them organize and master the material learned in class
- Instill in students the value of maintaining a portfolio in the understanding of calculus
- Teach students to apply their knowledge of calculus to solve problems in their chosen field

Using a textbook, she complemented the writing element of the course with a variety of exercises including open-ended problems that emphasized understanding rather than memorizing procedures. She also incorporated "thinking and writing" problems designed to challenge students by making them think critically about what they were learning.

"A few weeks into the semester, I saw a remarkable change in the class as a whole. Maintaining a math journal and keeping index cards had worked to make students passionate about the class. Their focus shifted from obtaining the right answer to learning the process of getting the answer and why that process worked; in every homework problem, students knew exactly what they were doing in each step and why they were doing it," she says enthusiastically.

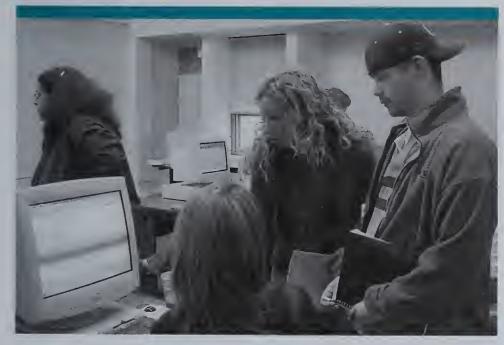
On the final exam, three students got A's, 13 students received B's and only one student got a C+. "The grade distribution on the first test compared to the final test clearly shows that the project was very successful," says Malini.

"This project definitely enriched my teaching of calculus and challenged my students. I learned how writing can be used as a tool to teach calculus in depth.

"The most valuable thing students learned," she adds, "was that by following the proper math study skills, calculus seemed easy and fun, and that writing helped them to understand and retain what they had learned."

#### **Technology Growth at Lasell**

# Providing Students with the Tools to Excel in the 21st Century



Students work together in a class held in one of Lasell's computer labs.

n the old days, the biggest technology upgrade a college had to make was to change the database management system from white index cards to yellow, or segue from a manual typewriter to a Selectric. Further upgrades involved only obtaining special font balls to increase the range of formatting options for particularly astute users.

What a difference a new millennium makes!

At Lasell, technology is a key component in keeping the College on the cutting edge in terms of admissions and academics.

Today, students shopping for a college always hone into the technology

options available on campus, since most are used to the fast and exciting world of home-based broadband. And, today, at Lasell, the use of wireless network zones, sophisticated phone messaging, and "smart" classrooms — the new generation of high technology classrooms — are simple necessities and no longer luxuries.

Smart classrooms at the College are de rigor for both faculty and students. They make it a breeze for faculty to bring their off-site work and research to the classroom, allowing them to show information and research data from

office computers or data bases worldwide. They provide access to the most current information on the Web, from breaking news to stock market quotations from Dow Jones; from a NASA liftoff, to movie clips from upcoming films being studied in a communications course — all displayed on a large screen for easy student viewing. And for students, all the information displayed in the classroom is readily available for downloading to their laptops or personal computers. We asked Technology Chief Deborah Gelch to look at Lasell's technology and its growth from 1998 to 2004. Here's what she reports:

#### Lasell College - Information Technology Growth of IT Services

Function	1998	2005
Computers for Labs, Faculty and Staff	160	426
Students on Lasell Network	30	640
Campus Telephones for Students, Faculty and Staff	250	1954
Servers on Network	5	33
Smart Classrooms	0	15
Usernames & Email Addresses Supported by Network	100	1700
Faculty Using Course Management Software	0	46%
Email Requests to support@lasell.edu in September	n/a	2800
FTE IT Staff	4.6	8.0

#### For All Areas of Campus Life

# **Student Awards Presented**

A long-time Lasell tradition is the spring semester recognition of students who have gone above and beyond the norm. They have

successfully met challenges that are both self- and College-imposed and made outstanding contributions to the life of the campus. 👻

#### 2005 Awards Banquet Recognizes Students and Student Organizations

Student Leaders of the Year: Greg Walker '05 Cathee Hill '06

**Student Organization of the Year:** Student Athletic Advisory Council (SAAC)

Lasell Chair: Chantel Daley '05

2004-2005 Lasell Bowl Recipients: Jen Boyd '06 Heidi Hanna '05 Eric Knapp '05

Jason Lively '05 Alexis Polanco '05 Wendy Riddle '06

#### The Ruth Paetz Braun '54 Undergraduate Connected **Learning Awards**

Established through the generosity of Ruth Paetz Braun '54, in honor of her 50th reunion, this is the first year the awards have been presented.

**Upper Level Creative Essay:** Stephanie Rich '07 Introductory **Level Writing:** Katie Bryer '08

**Upper Level** Research Essay: Jennifer Peters '05

#### **Service Awards Banquet**



Seated at the Service Awards Banquet were (L to R) Stephanie Kana '08, Marian Salama '08, Carrie Pike '08, Crystal Larocelle '07, and Kianna Gooden '06. All were America Reads tutors except for Stephanie, who was a community service scholar and traveled to Florida for the Alternative Spring Break.

The Service Awards Banquet was sponsored by the Center for Community-Based Learning. Students were honored who participated in the America Reads Program, VITA, Alternative Spring Break, the Community Service House, and the Community Service Scholars Program. 👻

#### **National Collegiate Honors Council**



The 2005 Honors Council attendees. Front row (L to R) Rebecca Ladner '07, Angelica Adams '07, Courtney Dinsmore '07, and Erin Crotty '07. Back row (L to R) Samantha Dulac '05, Tarah Martell '05, and Stacy George '05.

Lasell was well represented at this year's National Collegiate Honors Council that was held in April in Pine Barrens, NJ. Three senior fashion majors, Samantha Dulac, Stacy George, and Tarah Martell led a roundtable discussion on "Leadership Through Service in Lasell College's Honors Program. A lively discussion followed.

At another session, four sophomores, Angelica Adams, Courtney Dinsmore, Erin Crotty, and Rebecca Ladner, made a presentation called, "Vote or Die: Service and Political Action at Lasell College — A Path to Leadership." They discussed the mobilization of the campus behind "Lasell Votes" during the fall of 2004, which succeeded in the registration of an unheard of 75 percent of the eligible undergraduate population. 👻



The 2005 Bowl and Chair Recipients: Back row Greg Walker '05, Front row (L to R) Eric Knapp '05, Chantel Daley '05 (Lasell chair), Cathee Hill '06, Heidi Hanna '05, Alexis Polanco '05. Missing: Jen Boyd '06, Jason Lively '05, Wendy Riddle '06.

#### Lasell College Academic Recognition 2005 Senior Book Award Recipients

Maha Al-shoaibi **Emily Binder** Sarah Briggs Rebie Cumberbatch Diana Demirciyan Samantha Dulac **Lesley Foss** Jessie Gilbert

Noriko Hada John Henneberg Julie Hubbard Rolande Johndro Eric Knapp Krystal Kuczmiec Isabel Miller Colleen Noonan

Dana Paoletti Andrea Pontillo Faustine Reny Edin Rizvanbegovic Melissa Ann Rossi Steve Rubbicco John Steele Tomoko Yasukawa

#### Honors Program 2005

These graduates have participated in a series of specialized courses and projects throughout their four years. Completion of the program signifies a high level of initiative, academic accomplishment, and commitment to the values of citizenship within a connected learning environment.

Samantha Dulac Caitlin Fraser Stacy George

Heidi Hanna Eric Knapp Krystal Kuczmiec Tarah Martell lames Ploski Keith Tower

#### 2005 Athletic Awards Presented at Sports Banquet

Student-Athlete of the Year:

Allegra DeLuca '05

Student-Athlete Honor Roll

This year there were 93 student-athletes with GPA's of 3.0 or higher. Of these, four had perfect 4.0s.

Most Valuable Players:

Field Hockey: Heidi Hanna '05 Softball: Laura Stone '05 Women's Basketball: Theresa Allen '07

Men's Soccer: Matt Denham '06 Men's Volleyball: Dwayne Cartegna '08

Women's Lacrosse: Mandi Rapisardi '06

Women's Soccer: Laurel Saia '08

Women's Volleyball: Allison Bianco '08

Men's Lacrosse: Louie Lucchetti '06



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# A Message from Karen Gill, Director of Alumni Relations

Hello Lasell Alumni-

What a great Reunion! It was so much fun seeing so many of you having a wonderful time. It makes all our hard work during the year worth it to see your smiles, hear your laughter and watch you run around and dance like you were back in your college days!

The "Calendar Girls" Launch party was incredible! Fourteen models showed up and signed calendars while the champagne flowed and the stories were told. It was great to watch the camaraderie of all the different age groups (Classes of 1938-2004).

Throughout the year, we try to plan both social and educational programs of interest to all class years. Showcasing faculty and students "on the road" at our regional gatherings is one way we can show you the Lasell of today. We welcome your suggestions and ideas to stay connected with your alma mater and friends.

Thanks!

Karensgiel

Karen B. Gill Director of Alumni Relations

# Upcoming Alumni Dates

If you would be interested in sponsoring or helping to organize an alumni event in the future, please contact the Alumni Relations Office.

October 16 is River Day at the Lasell College Stoller Boathouse on the Charles River. Calling all alumni! The century-old war canoes are still used for the competition and have all been completely restored. They will be put into service on Sunday at 11 a.m. at the boathouse and need alumni paddlers! Picnic lunch to follow (\$12). Please contact your former fellow teammates and pass the word and plan to come back to campus.



October 23 - Cape Cod, MA - Reception at home of Barbara Caron MacLean '66, West Chatham, 3-5:30 p.m.

November 20 - Beverly, MA -North Shore Music Theatre -"The Full Monty," brunch at home of Jean Sargent Lee '49 prior to the performance.

April 2006 - Boston, MA - Theatre trip to see the musical "Wicked."

April 9, 2006 - Potomac, MD - Reception at the home of Kay Goodman Kline '61, 3 - 5 p.m.

May 19-21, 2006 - Reunion\*
Weekend/Commencement Weekend Check out the Lasell College alumni
web site www.lasellalumni.org for
more information. Please email
the Alumni Relations Office at
alumni@lasell.edu with any address
changes or class notes.

\* Back by popular demand, a Nursing Reunion will be held Saturday, May 20. 👻

# **Explore Chianti, Italy**

July 2-10, 2006 with Alumni Holidays, Inc.



Join alumni from five other Massachusetts colleges and sit back, relax, and imagine yourself reaping

Italy's rich harvest of pleasures. Acquaint yourself with Chianti in the idyllic village of Marcialla. Ponder, with anticipation, the many regional wonders you are about to explore. Sip sublime white wines and soothe your palate with fragrant olive oils at Castello di Monsanto in the heart of Chianti Classico. Travel to Pisa and be perplexed by its whimsical Leaning Tower before continuing on to ancient Lucca. Meander through Tuscany's characterinfused hill country, stopping to visit San Gimignano and the crystal-laden town of Colle di Val d'Elsa. Finally, admire the Renaissance wonders of the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore. Piazza della Signoria, and Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence, and Siena's Mangia Tower and Duomo.

Approximately \$2095, per person, plus air, based on double occupancy. V.A.T. is an additional \$95 per person, subject to change.

NOTE: The itinerary outlined is preliminary and subject to change due to operational conditions.

# Alumni Association News...

The recipients of Alumni Association Scholarships are returning students who have financial need and have demonstrated their outstanding ability as scholars. They were selected from a competitive pool of applicants and bring a wide range of talents to the Lasell community. They are leaders and volunteers in extra-curricular activities on and off campus.



Sylvie Norian '06 is one of the recipients of the Alumni Scholarships awarded by Alumni Association President, Patti Beck Bishop '97.

The recipients for the 2005-2006 school year are:

Nakia Garrett, a senior Fashion Design and Production major from Newport, RI. She is involved in the Rhythm Unique Dance Team, a Community Service Scholar, a past phonathon caller and works part-time at the College dining service.

Kianna Gooden, a senior Human Services major from Danielson, CT. She is active in the Sisterhood/Brotherhood Organization, the Caribbbean Beat, a Resident Assistant, a phonathon caller and a tutor for the "America Reads Program."

Sylvie Norian, a senior Graphic Design major from Lexington, MA. She is involved in the Lasell Chorus, Emerging Leaders Program, writer for "Polished Magazine," and waitress at Lasell Village. Sylvie was part of a team which created the new logo for the Alumni Association.

Katherine Witham, a junior Humanities major (with a minor in History) from Waterville, ME. She is active in the Emerging Leaders Program, has worked with residents of Lasell Village, contributed artwork to the Lasell Literary Magazine and is a volunteer at her hometown fire station.

The Alumni Association sponsored a silent auction on Reunion Weekend and the proceeds (over \$1,200) went to the Alumni Student Scholarship Fund.



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# From the President of the Alumni Association

Dear Fellow Alums:

Tradition. History. Culture. These three words embody life at Lasell.

I attended Reunion and Commencement 2005 and couldn't help but realize and appreciate how much tradition, history and culture remains at Lasell.

In case you haven't attended Reunion in the last four years, it now occurs on the same weekend as Commencement. And many alumni, including myself, find being there a truly rewarding experience.

Who could pass up the opportunity to bridge new graduates with current alumni? Alumni get the feel of current life on campus, even as many of the graduates are moving out of their dorms. This year we even had events with the students and their parents. I was not able to attend the Lobster Bake, but from what I hear it was a huge success.

Some of you may wonder what traditions remain since your Lasell days. Well, the Torchlight parade marches on. And one of my favorite traditions — the class

banner — remains. Reunion and Commencement offer a unique opportunity for the Alumni Association to show off the banners of yesteryear. I find it amazing that you can trace world history by way of the banners. A perfect example is the banner for the Class of 2005. It reads "Still...Repulsae Nescia". For those who may not know Latin, it means "Still...Courage Ignorant of Defeat." A very moving statement when you consider that registration day for these students was September II, 2001.

And so the landscape and architecture of Lasell continue to change. However its essence does not. The traditions and culture that help define Lasell will remain for many years to come. And I hope you will visit Lasell soon and get a feel for what is still the same, and share with us some of your history.

'Til next time,

Patti Beck Bishop

Patti Beck Bishop, Class of '97

# Lasell Alumni Online Community

Are you moving to a new city and don't know anyone there? Why not do a search for your new city and see if there is a Lasell alum who lives there who could be of assistance to you? It might even be one of your classmates and give you a chance to reconnect!

Please go to www.lasellalumi.org, log in, and update your profile page to be sure your information is accurate.

If you are new to the community, you can login NOW following these simple instructions:

- Go to www.lasellalumni.org
- Click "First Time Login" on the upper left side of the page
- Enter your last name and select your record
- Enter the temporary password which is "alumni"

Update your profile and get busy reconnecting! Community Features include:

- Email forwarding-for-life
- Member directories, message boards, and real-time chat
- Online clubs and mentoring
- Networking, business card exchange, and job listings
- Donations online
- Reunion planning and event calendars, photo albums
- Downloadable Lasell LEAVES and publications.

We also understand that you may not wish to be listed in Lasell's Online Community and/or receive messages from Lasell and you certainly have the option to be removed.

We hope you enjoy the Lasell Alumni Online Community experience!

#### **Almost Sold Out!**

# Alumni Calendar Girls Prove Irresistible



(L to R) Beverly Kimball Lamburn '55, Anne Blake Perkins '46, Lee Kerkins Monticone '55, and Carol Merwin Robinson '55 share a laugh while celebrating at the Calendar Girls Launch Party on Reunion Weekend.

t was inspired by the hit movie, "Calendar Girls," the true story of 12 prim and proper English women who turned the creation of their annual calendar into fundraising bonanza by posing discretely in the 'all-together.'

Lasell's very own version — created collaboratively by the Office of Alumni Relations and Lasell Alumni Inc. — has yielded a similar result. Proceeds from the 2006 calendar sales support student scholarships (\$20 per calendar). But hurry, the calendar is almost sold out!

# 2005 Lasell Medallion Recipients



Susan Slocum Klingbeil '45.

"Our family likens Sue to "The Queen of Hearts," says Susan Slocum Klingbeil's husband Bill. "She's a card, has the grace of royalty, and a heart as big as all outdoors." In the many roles that she has played at Lasell, these qualities have come to the fore, as well as her unfailing energy and commitment.

Sue followed in her mother's and her aunt's footsteps when she came to Lasell. Her leadership role started immediately and she was both president of her senior class and president of Bragdon.

Always one to keep in touch with her classmates, Sue's hand is quickly raised

when there is an opportunity to host an alumni event and she has been instrumental in reconnecting Lasell alumni. She was appointed to the Board of Overseers in 1995 and elected as Trustee in 1996. She was acting Annual Fund Chairperson and Class of 1945 Reunion coordinator.

While raising her family of four children, Sue found time to establish and head a leisure time consulting firm that advised families on the selection of summer camps and educational trips and activities throughout the world.

Sue was particularly suited to this job, as she and Bill love to travel and their spirit of adventure has taken them far and wide: by motor home, by barge, by glass topped train, and by plane (including the 22,000 air miles that they covered in the Far East, Australia, and New Zealand).

It came as no surprise when Sue and Bill arrived in Immokalee, Florida to join nine Lasell students who were helping with Habitat for Humanity during this year's service-learning March break. Donning hard hats, they were once again eager to participate in a College endeavor.



Elisse Allinson Share '65.

Elisse's activism and enthusiasm have raised the bar for alumni volunteers. Her excitement about Lasell is palpable and her devotion to the College and her contributions to the institution are considerable.

Always a "people-person," Elisse was a member of Blue Key while at Lasell and enjoyed taking prospective students around campus. She lived in Conn House her senior year and became very close to the eight other residents, confirming her belief in the importance of the collegial environment of a smaller college. She also met her future husband, Neil, during this time and her mother contended that the reason Elisse made dean's list was because she spent every Friday night studying with him at the Harvard library.

After Lasell, Elisse went on to Lesley College where she received a degree in education. She taught elementary school for several years and was soon involved with her daughter's school parent organization – the beginning of her volunteerism.

In 1991, Jennifer Share enrolled at Lasell and Elisse became reacquainted with her alma mater. When she discovered there wasn't an alumni association in New Jersey she took the reins and organized one. From then on there was no stopping her.

She joined the Board of Overseers in 1992 and was elected to the Board of

Trustees in 1994. But, when she took on the chairmanship of the Annual Fund she redoubled her time and commitment to the College. Her mission became getting the message out to alumni about Lasell's unique academic opportunities and she remained as Chair for seven years, during which time both alumni participation and donations grew.

With her background in education, Elisse has always focused in on the College's students. In 1998, she and her husband, Neil, endowed the Elisse Allinson Share '65 and Jennifer A. Share '98 Scholarship to help deserving young scholars receive a Lasell education. Additionally, she became very involved with the Annual Fund's student Phonathon Program, realizing the value of the long hours this group puts in to reach out to Lasell alumni and parents.

# Call for Nominations for Lasell Medallion

Each year a committee appointed by the Alumni Association's Board of Management selects individuals to receive the Lasell Medallion.

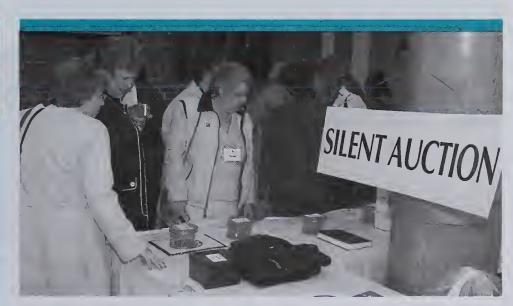
The bronze award may be presented to "any member of the Lasell family who, by virtue of distinguished service to the College or society at large, has brought added honor to the name Lasell." Nominations for the 2006 award, which will be presented at Reunion Convocation

on May 20, should be sent to the

Office of Alumni Relations.

#### Silent Auction Winners for Reunion 2005

Item Guest conductor for New Philharmonia Orchestra	Donor N.P.O.	<b>Winner</b> Joyce Wheeler Gardner '60
Popcorn popper	Urit Chaimovitz '98	Shakira Watson King '00
Cuisinart coffeemaker	Urit Chaimovitz '98	Linda Foster Nixon '65
Picnic basket (filled)	Linda Telfer '60	Linda Foster Nixon '65
Red Sox mirror	Linda Telfer '60	Lisa Simmons '80
Lasell fleece jacket	Kathy Morgan Lucey '67	Jackie Cain Sheils '55
Beauty basket	Jacqueline Paulding Hauser '50	Joy Stewart Rice '55



Alumni take a minute to look at the Silent Auction items.

# Alumni Reunion Weekend

# At Reunion Weekend, we asked the alums to share their thoughts on "What I learned at Lasell"

"How to roll up our slacks under our trenchcoats."

"How to cover for a roommate when she was late."

"How to get two "Lasell brownies with claret sauce."

"How to make phone calls without a coin."

"How to play bridge."

"How to flirt with guys."

"How to climb out of Karandon House's window after curfew."

"How to be myself — I felt academically encouraged, nurtured, and challenged."

"How to live with others which has lasted a lifetime."

"7:55 Breakfast Club."

"Porcupine balls are enough to make you avoid dinner – they are awful."

"How to knit "beer mug socks."

"How to smoke."

"How to talk to boys."

"How to Charleston."

"How to meet best friends in the 'Barn.'"

"How it was hard to leave home for the first time, but harder to leave Lasell and my friends when we graduated."

"As an only child, it was different living with a group of girls."

"I learned to eat things I never ate at home."

"My days in a dorm were hard at first, but I learned to live with a lot of women."

"They produce the most intriguing women."

# Past Alumni Events... June 2005 - Boston Pops Concert



After dinner, at Symphony Hall, the Boston Pops Concert featured the guest artists' group "Guster."

#### June 2005



A mini reunion took place for the central New York Lasell alums at the Lakeshore Yacht & Country Club in Cicero, NY, in June 2005. Seated (L to R) Susan Kyle Anthony '61, Charlotte Brown McDowell '60, Frances Reid Smith '59, Carolyn Wood Brox '59. Standing (L to R) JoAnn Jacobson '63, Annette Bogdan Ferris '57, Barbara Simpson Baier '56, and Shirley Price Bayus '56.

#### July 2005 - Red Sox Game



About the evening, Sharon Carley Fitts '62 says, "Thanks for an almost perfect evening — obviously it would have been perfect if the Sox had won! Now looking forward to Tanglewood."

"To the Alumni Relations office staff...thanks for your efforts and all you did for our 1960 Class...We are a bunch of "Ya Ya's"...never been with 19 women who connect the way we do and I thank Lasell for bringing us together 45 years ago. When we are together we are all 19 years old again...a wonderful beautiful reunion...the campus is totally awesome and wonderful sites that have not changed in 45 years. I cherish my two years at Lasell, as I cherish the women I met then and who we are today...still a very deep connection. Hear! Hear! to Lasell and all the women who were there then and return today."

- Wendy Holmes-Pearson 1960

# Alumni Reunion Weekend



Some '55ers dance to the Dixieland band.



The Class of '05 leaves their mark.



Class of '45 Terry Bergeron Hoyt, Dorothy Piper Bottalico, Jean Mitchell Hunter, and Dru Roberts Bickford get reacquainted.



Faithe Bowker-Maloney '60 came prepared for the lobster hake.



Joyce Wheeler Gardner '60 was the high bidder in the auction to conduct the "Stars and Stripes Forever."



Class of '55 - 50th Reunion

Diana Hendley Cooper, Tish Gura Conroy, JoAnne DiPietro DiMarco, Barbara Hillard Tracey, Carolyn Chapin Snyder, Mimi Chol Smith, Carol Merwin Robinson, Jackie Cain Sheils, Phyllis Thompson Vesey, Lee Kerkins Monticone, Francine Symonds Paresky. Second row (L to R): Joan Murano Swanson, Frances Bristol, Joan Baker Cornell, Nancy Tripp Taylor, Ruth Dyer Jones, CJ Somers Ogrodnik, Sue Clark Johnson, Arlene Pariseau Cairns, Beverly Kimball Lamburn, Millie Monahan Regan. Back row (L to R): Lucille Marden Randall, Joy Stewart Rice, Charleen Herrling Smith, Lucinda Nolin Johnson, Linda Nolin Ahern, Gigi Harold, Jean Van Buskirk Swanfeldt, Terry Brossi Ciarcia, Ann Harris Hughes.



Class of '55

Lucille Marden Randall, Francine Symonds Paresky, JoAnne
DiPietro DiMarco, Lee Kerkins Monticone, Jackie Cain Sheils,
CJ Somers Ogrodnik, and Mimi Chol Smith reunited at the
Yamawaki art reception.



Some graduating seniors and their parents joined the Lobster Bake extravaganza.



Calendar Girls Launch Party.



The alumni singers joined the New Philharmonia Orchestra in a medley of "The Sound of Music."



Alumni Parade of Classes.



The Class of 1960 checked out the vintage wedding dress exhibit.

# **Major Gifts and Planned Giving**

#### From Cathy Black:



As a new academic year begins, so do my discussions with alumni and friends to encourage leadership support of the Annual Fund, as well as more major support for specific needs at Lasell. It is clear to all of us that Lasell has now arrived — larger student body, expanded physical plant, cutting-edge programs, and exciting connected learning

opportunities. In order for us to remain state-of-the-art and exemplary, we must continue raising major gifts for priorities in each area of the College. I have included a "wish list" of funding opportunities that we hope you will consider when making philanthropic decisions this year.

Please remember that these initiatives can be funded through outright gifts of cash or appreciated securities. Those entries that are annual expenses can also be funded through an endowment gift. Gifts over \$5,000 can be paid out over several years if necessary.

For more information on this "wish list," please contact me at 617-243-2223 or cblack@lasell.edu. We wholeheartedly thank you, who have supported Lasell in a major way, and for those who are still wondering how to help, we hope this list provides much "food for thought!"

Cathy Dack

Cathy Black
Director of Major Gifts
& Planned Giving

#### **Funding Priorities Wish List** Scholarship funding for undergraduate and graduate tuition, and study abroad programs \$50,000 **Learning Center/Academic Computing** fund for support of Workshops, small equipment, peer training **25,000** per year Underwriting student yearbook 20,000 per year BioPac (for social sciences, natural sciences, sports science criminal justice); for two units and associated software 16,000 SOLD Student study rooms in library 15,000 Funds to underwrite a part-time Chaplain's position **15,000** per year SOLD Graduate student lounge furnishings 10,000 Coffeehouse series of acoustic performers for the student center 10,000 per year Faculty Scholar(s) in Service Learning; annual professional development support 8,000 per year Computers for the Barn classrooms 6,000 Diversity training for Residential life staff 5,000 per year

# Planned Giving

# **Bequests: Leaving a Legacy**

We are pleased to continue our series of bequest donor profiles in this edition of LEAVES. These thoughtful individuals chose to support Lasell by making a provision in their will or trust to support the College at their deaths. Each biography may be different, but clearly, the common thread among these three women is tremendous love and respect for their alma mater and the desire to help students have the same fulfilling Lasell experiences.

Together, our featured donors bequeathed over \$60,000 to Lasell. We hope they inspire you to consider bequest support as part of your philanthropic planning. For more information or to request a bequest language handout, please call or e-mail Cathy Black at 617-243-2223 or cblack@lasell.edu.



Diane Palady Barry '49 Diane received her degree in health science. While at Lasell, she was a member of the Orphean and Day

Hop Outing Clubs and served on the crew and basketball teams. Upon graduation, Diane worked at Massachusetts General Hospital as a medical secretary as well as in the alumni office at Worcester Academy in Worcester, MA. She married James Barry in 1957 and had three children. Diane was a master gardener and was involved in several professional associations affiliated with landscaping — the Treefarmer's Association of Massachusetts, where she served as Secretary, and the Land Trust Conservation Association in Grafton, MA. She also taught braille to the blind and ESL courses to Hispanic students. Diane resided in North Carolina and New Hampshire before passing away in January 2002. She bequeathed \$5,000 to Lasell for student scholarships.



Shirley Frank
Kerner '45
Shirley completed
the medical secretarial program while
at Lasell. An accomplished athlete, she

SOLD Plasma board for Student Center Information Desk

Rockwell fitness program (large motor skills)

Wellness programming for the Health

Rockwell weekly Spanish program

and Counseling Centers

participated in soccer, baseball, crew, basketball, hockey, and served on the Athletic Council. Her sister, Gail "Frankie" Wells, also attended Lasell and graduated in 1956. Professionally, Shirley worked for a number of doctors in New Jersey as a medical secretary and was also a waitress. She married, had two daughters and, later in life, four grandchildren. Shirley was an avid gardener, an accomplished bridge player, and loved the outdoors. She passed away in March, 2002 and bequeathed Lasell \$4,000.



Phyllis Rafferty Shoemaker '22 Phyllis was born in the Philippines and chose Lasell upon the recommendation of a close

4,000

2,000

1,000

2,000 per year

family friend. After graduation, Phyllis worked as a secretary in Washington, D.C. In 1925, she married Dr. A. Bedell Shoemaker and moved to Boston. She served as Assistant Treasurer and President of the Lasell Alumnae Association and was elected to the Board of Trustees in 1950. The Shoemakers then moved to Watsonville, CA in 1953, where Phyllis served as president of the Local Community Hospital Service League, was a member of the Republican Women's Club, and was very involved in church work. She passed away in August, 1998 and bequeathed Lasell \$55,000. 👻

#### From Noni Linton:

# "Hello, this is Lasell College calling..."



Like many colleges and universities, Lasell hires a number of students each year as student phoners for the Lasell Phonathon. I know that many of you dislike having your evening hours interrupted by this kind of telemarketing call. If you have caller ID and Lasell College shows up, do you pick up the phone?

We hope you will choose to answer the call from Lasell. Why? Because the student calling you has an opportunity to learn something from you about his or her school — your own experiences as a Lasell student in the classroom, the dormitory, on the athletic field, and so on. And, you have an opportunity to learn something about his or her experiences as a Lasell student — and perhaps even about what residence life is like now in Gardner or Carpenter or whatever house was your Lasell home.

The exchange of ideas and experiences between alumni of all decades and current students is important — enhancing the student phoner's perception of Lasell — and yours as well.

We hope that you will take the call because you are also helping your student caller acquire practical communication and sales skills while learning what it is to be an alumnus and a donor.

We also hope that you will answer the call so that you can hear firsthand from one of the beneficiaries of your support through Lasell's student financial aid program. We hope that by hearing the individual stories of your phoner you will be touched in a way that no mailing can.

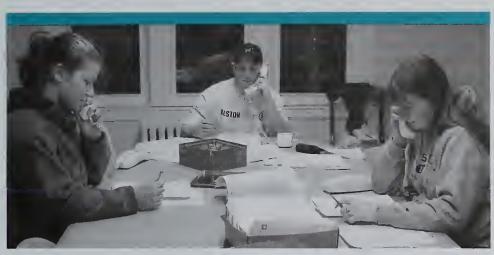
So, when the phone rings and your caller ID tells you Lasell is calling, please answer it and take a few minutes to chat. I think you will be glad that you did.

Noui Louton

Noni Linton Director of Annual Giving



Susan Slocum Klingbeil '45, Annual Fund Chair, presents President Thomas de Witt with a check for \$84,000 from the Reunion 2005 classes at Reunion Convocation in May 2005. Reunion gifts help boost the Lasell College Annual Fund totals.



Please answer our calls!

# **Parents Annual Appeal**

The Parents Annual Appeal is an important part of the Lasell College Annual Fund, which provides support for financial aid and scholarships, academic and athletic programs, technology and library resources.

Each year, gifts to the Annual Fund help bridge the gap between tuition and fees, and operating expenses of the College. By raising unrestricted funds for the College, the Fund enhances the quality of Lasell students' life and learning. Parents are extraordinarily generous supporters of Lasell College, especially through the Lasell Annual Fund. Last year, 157 parents of current Lasell students contributed to the Lasell Annual Fund, a 131% increase in donor participation from 2004!

The generosity of parents is especially gratifying. It speaks volumes about the quality of the educational experience we offer to their children and their satisfaction with Lasell College.

This annual fundraising effort is directed toward parents as well as grandparents, running from July 1 - June 30. To make a gift online, please visit our secure website at: www.lasell.edu/alumni/annual\_fund.asp or contact the Lasell College Annual Fund staff at 617-243-2165 for assistance.

#### For Your Security

To keep your credit card information secure, we are asking you to provide an extra code number from your credit card for further verification. We have updated our reply forms to reflect this change and hope that you will help us by completing all of the credit card information requested on the form you received or the online form. If you have any questions regarding this change, please call Noni Linton (617-243-2165) or Jenn Marvel (617-243-2282).

#### Ways to Give to Lasell

- Use the reply form you received in the mail to pay by check or credit card (Master Card, Visa or American Express).
- Give online, visit our secure website at www.lasellalumni.org and click on 'Donate to Lasell.'
- Make a gift of stock. Please call Noni Linton (617-243-2165) for instructions on transferring stock to the College.
- Pledge now and pay your pledge before June 30, 2006.
   Reminders will be sent in the spring.
- If your (or your spouse's)
   employer matches charitable
   contributions, please enclose
   the form with your gift.

#### **Corporate Matching Gifts**

Many corporations will match gifts from their employees to educational institutions, usually doubling, or sometimes tripling, the employee contribution. These corporate matching gifts boost the Lasell College Annual Fund by \$40,000 or more every year. If you are one of our donors whose gifts are matched by y employer, please accept our sincere thanks. To learn whether your employer has such a program, please check with your benefits office. You may be able to increase your support to Lasell, providing additional funds for current operating expenses, including funds for student financial aid, academic programs, athletic programs, library resources, technology, buildings and grounds. Every gift helps.

#### Time Flies

# Lasell Village Celebrates Its Fifth Anniversary



Dr. Margery Silver (far right) sits with future centenarians (L to R) Villager Ruth Cobb Kupferman, Villager Anna Castleman, a friend, and Anna's older sister, Harriet Cohen.

The ribbon cutting ceremony that marked the official opening of Lasell Village seems like yesterday, but suddenly it was time to start planning for a fifth anniversary party. During the week of May 9, there were many gala events at the Village in recognition of its five successful years of existence. President de Witt opened the celebration with a retrospective.

"Be careful what you wish for," he smiled. "We began the journey towards creating a retirement community in 1988 to lift the College and give it new zest and focus. We believed in an engaged retirement community, we wanted to give back to society, and to put Lasell at the cutting edge. Our dream was realized when the Village opened in 2000.

"We took a huge gamble and there were a lot of bumps in the road. We fought with the neighbors and the city and I was blessed to have a Board of Trustees that stuck by me and gave me strong support. We learned that complex projects take a long time.

"We weren't sure who would want to come and be required to take 450 hours of learning a year. But, we sold out



"Princess of the Village" Paula Panchuck waves her magic wand.

almost immediately because you are all learners. We have seen that other retirement communities do not have the spark of life, the engagement, or the zest that is found here.

"Lasell Village has brought visibility to the College and made a huge difference in its life. Our students have benefited from and enjoy the intergenerational learning that is now available to them. And, the RoseMary B. Fuss Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational Studies is on its way to becoming well known for disseminating information about what we are learning about intergenerational learning.

"It's time for a champagne toast."

And so, glasses were raised and the week continued. There was a performance by the College Jazz Ensemble, a concert by the Boston Music Workshop, a classical piano concert given by Eleanor Perrone, and a reception given by Executive Director Jim Wingardner.

A true highlight was the staff and resident panel presentation titled "Reflections: Living and Learning at Lasell Village," a celebration of a remarkable community in discourse, music, poetry, and song.

Dean Paula Panchuck waved her magic wand and spun the tale of *The Princess and the Village*. "These five years have truly been a fairy tale," she said. "There have been dragons slayed and porridge that has been too hot to eat, but Tom had the visionary talents that enabled him to see into the future and skeptics became believers."

Before Village poet Freddy Frankel read his commemorative villanelle, *Our Village on the Hillside, in the Valley of Lasell* (see sidebar), he reflected on the "marriage that is for keeps between the Village and the College. We have the tenacity and vision of Tom de Witt to thank for this successful evolution. We are part of a college that has reached its full stride."

Each resident who spoke had his or her own tale to tell. "This is like summer camp, only better," exclaimed Hilma Unterberger. "I was an academic snob and dubious of the classes I would be taking. Then I took a course with Joe Aieta, and that did it. He's a flaming liberal who's even to the left of me!"

"I thought I was just moving," said Ruth Saldinger, "but this has been a story of friendship. I have been blessed with an abundance and richness of new and good friends."

"My children used to sled down Bragdon Hill," recalled David Rolbein. "I think what brought a lot of us to the Village is its location and its learning program. If it were not for this combination, many of us wouldn't be in a retirement community. I've learned a great deal, enjoyed every minute, and, unlike when I was in college, I've retained every bit."

Music bound the entire program together. Resident Dorothy Halpern played Beethoven's Rondo in G and Village Marketing Director Sheila Waxman played two Chopin pieces. Assistant to the Dean Celeste Harring ended the program by singing Puccini's *O Mio Babbino Caro*. "The first time I sang an aria publicly was at Lasell Village, and so, I'd like to sing it again," she explained. "The Village is an extended family for me."

On Friday, neuropsychologist, Assistant Professor of Neurology at Boston University, and Village resident Dr. Margery Silver spoke on *The Secrets of Centenarians: Living Long and Living Well.* She told of her research with Boston Medical Center's New England Centenarian Study and the surprises it revealed.

"I feel that I am preaching to the converted," she smiled. "The Village embodies the principles that let centenarians live long and well."

## Our Village on the Hillside, in the Valley of Lasell

On the hillside, in the valley of Lasell a spirit that you don't expect survives — you can't tell us from the students very well.

The early doubts were easy to dispel, by adding learning cycles to our lives on the hillside, in the valley of Lasell.

It's not up rock-face that we must rappel, just walk twice around the pond in stride, you can't tell us from the students very well.

When friends come round to have us show and tell, they find that here we also have nine lives on the hillside, in the valley of Lasell.

Paula and her hand-picked staff excel at helping us to intellectualize. You can't tell us from the students very well.

Enchanted by a charismatic spell, Tom deWitt is driven by his drives on the hillside, in the valley of Lasell he can't tell us from the students very well.

Freddy Frankel

# Message from the Athletic Director



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This spring, many student-athletes were honored for their contributions to both Lasell and the greater community. The Lasell Bowl is awarded to students who demonstrate a dedication and commitment to improving the Lasell College community (see story p. 14), and last spring two student-athletes were recipients.

Heidi Hanna '05 was field hockey North Atlantic Conference Player of the Year and was awarded the Lasell Bowl for her involvement in a diverse range of activities: orientation leader, captain of the field hockey team, a member of the Dean's List, a member of the Student-Athlete Honor Roll, and a peer mentor.

Captain of both the volleyball and softball teams, Wendy Riddle 'o6 was

also awarded a Lasell Bowl. She was named to the North Atlantic Conference All-Academic Team and was honored as a first team all-conference player for both sports. Wendy is the vice-president for the Student-Athlete Advisory Council, is a First Year Seminar co-facilitator, a peer mentor, and a member of the Dean's List.

Basketball player Greg Walker '05 was named "Student Leader of the Year" and was nominated for this award by his peers. He has continually been involved with student organizations throughout his career, has been a member of the Student Athlete Honor Roll, team captain of the men's basketball team, and was named to the First Team All North Atlantic Conference and to the North Atlantic Conference Tournament Team in 2005.

Finally, the Student-Athlete Advisory Council was named "The Student Organization of the Year". SAAC had a very productive year, with the student-athletes holding blood drives, spending time with the CAP (Children with Aids Project) children (see story p. 10), organizing the fall Fan Fest, coordinating student-athlete day, and holding a field day for children from the Newton based Williams School.

Sincerely,

Kristy Walter

Kristy Walter Athletic Director



Louis Lucchetti '06 on the offensive.

#### Men's Lacrosse

Overall Record: 10-6 Conference Record: 5-3

This was our most successful season yet," says third year Head Coach Tim Dunton, who was named Pilgrim League Coach of the Year. "Our regular season performance earned us a spot in the league playoffs for the first time and we were also awarded a berth and made the number three seed for the ECAC Tournament."

Among the victories that stand out this season are the home opener against the University of Southern Maine which went into three OT periods and the win against Wheaton College. The defense stepped forward, got the Wheaton offense out of their rhythm, and held Wheaton to four goals, for a 7-4 victory.

Offensively, the Lasers finished the season with five players over 30 points. Juniors Louis Lucchetti and Kyle Minaker both had over fifty, while Al Zayac '07 and Dave Bulhoes both had over 40. Defensively, goalkeeper Mark DeMieri was named Pilgrim League Rookie of the Year and his save percentage of .682 place him first overall in Division III.

The Lasers will return with all but two players. The 2006 team goal is to win the Pilgrim League and compete in the NCAA Tournament.



The women's lacrosse team suited up and ready for play.

# Women's Lacrosse

Overall Record: 7-5 Conference Record: 4-2

Under the leadership of new Head Coach Lynne Kirouac, the women's lacrosse team had their most successful season to date. With their strong performance, they made it to the NEWLA semi-finals and had their first appearance in the ECAC tournament, where they were seeded seventh.

The key to their success was a strong offense. Junior attack player Mandi Rapisardi led the Lasers and all of the NCAA Division III in scoring, with 75 goals and 18 assists for a total of 93 points. She was ably assisted by Sarah Williams '07 and Sarah Schlegel '07.

Goalkeeper Noelle O'Leary '07 did an outstanding job throughout the season and was named Player of the Week.

Other key defenders were Krystal Ortiz '08 and Laurel Saia '07.

The future looks bright for next season. The team will not graduate any seniors and looks to add several new talented freshmen to the roster.



Jayme Rautenberg '08 is a threat at bat.

# Softball

Overall Record: 29-9 Conference Record: 8-2

ead Coach Tom Defilippo took over the reins of the softball program after serving as assistant coach for six years, and his team had a very successful season. Some new key strategic components were added to the defensive plan, and the team on the field was able to compete with anyone that stepped up to the plate.

Senior pitcher Laura Stone had a very solid year, pitching 126 innings with 88 strike outs. Catcher Jayme Rautenberg '07 was named the North Atlantic Conference Player of the Year. Shortstop Wendy Riddle '06 led the team in runs scored with 32 and stolen bases with 15

and Laura Gallagher '08 played solid defense at second base.

The NAC quarterfinal game against University of Maine/Farmington was a nail biter. The game was o-o until the fifth inning when Farmington drove in a run which Lasell was unable to answer. With only two players graduating, the Lasers are looking for revenge next season.

#### Field Hockey Fall 2005

OCTOBER						
1	Saturday	CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE*	Home	1:00**		
2	Sunday	WESTERN NEW ENGLAND*	Home	1:00		
5	Wednesday	UNIV. NEW ENGLAND	Home	3:30		
11	Tuesday	BECKER COLLEGE*	Home	3:30		
15	Saturday	ELMS COLLEGE*	Home	11:30		
20	Thursday	@ Nichols College	Away	7:00		
22	Saturday	@ Simmons College*	Away	1:00		
23	Sunday	@ Husson College*	Away	2:00		
26	Wednesday	WHEELOCK COLLEGE*	Home	3:30		
20	Saturday	NAC Quarterfinals	TBD			

\*North Atlantic Conference \*\*Parents Cookout

Head Coach: Jessica King (7th year) Assistant Coach: Laura Thibodeau (2nd year) Goalie Coaches: Kelly Sullivan (5th year), Jess Gonyor (1st year)

#### Women's Volleyball Fall 2005

oc	TOBER			
I	Saturday	@ Becker/Mount Ida/Elms*	Away	10:00 / 12:00
7	Friday	@ Eastern CT State Tourney	Away	TBD
8	Saturday	@ Eastern CT State Tourney	Away	TBD
II	Tuesday	@ Framingham State College	Away	7:00
13	Thursday	EASTERN NAZARENE COLLEGE	Home	7:00
15	Saturday	EMERSON COLLEGE	Home	1:00
20	Thursday	@ Regis College	Away	7:00
22	Saturday	LESLEY/BAY PATH*	Home	10:00/12:00
25	Tuesday	SIMMONS COLLEGE*	Home	7:00
29	Saturday	@ Husson/Mt. Ida/	Away	11:00/1:00
		Maine Maritime*		

\*North Atlantic Conference

Head Coach: Mary Tom (9th year) Assistant Coach: Karin Chue (9th year)

#### Men's Soccer Fall 2005

00	OCTOBER					
I	Saturday	@ MIT	Away	1:30		
4	Tuesday	@ Elms College*	Away	4:00		
8	Saturday	HUSSON COLLEGE*	Home	3:00		
9	Sunday	MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY	Home	2:00		
15	Saturday	NEWBURY COLLEGE	Home	2:30		
19	Wednesday	EMERSON COLLEGE	Home	3:30		
2.2	Saturday	JOHNSON STATE*	Home	3:00		
23	Sunday	CASTLETON STATE*	Home	2:00		
30	Sunday	NAC Quarterfinals	TBD			

\*North Atlantic Conference

Head Coach: Giovanni Pacini (8th year)

#### Women's Soccer Fall 2005

00	OCTOBER					
4	Tuesday	ELMS COLLEGE*	Home	4:00		
8	Saturday	HUSSON COLLEGE*	Home	1:00		
9	Sunday	MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY*	Home	12:00		
12	Wednesday	@ Lesley University*	Away	4:00		
15	Saturday	ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE	Home	12:00		
18	Tuesday	@ Wheelock College *	Away	3:00		
22	Saturday	JOHNSON STATE COLLEGE*	Home	1:00		
23	Sunday	CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE*	Home	12:00		
30	Sunday	NAC Quarterfinals	TBD			

\*North Atlantic Conference

Head Coach: Lisa McNamara (2nd year) Assistant Coach: Jonathon Keefe (2nd year)

#### Men's and Women's Cross Country 2005

#### **OCTOBER**

Roger Williams Invitational Saturday Saturday Regis College Open Date NAC - Farmington, ME Saturday Saturday

#### **NOVEMBER**

Saturday ECAC - Waterford, CT NCAA Regional - Springfield, MA 12 Saturday

Head Coach: Larry Sullivan

#### Men's Basketball 2005-2006

NC	VEMBER			
19	Saturday	@ Brandeis University	Away	TBD
20	Sunday	@ Brandeis University	Away	TBD
29	Tuesday	WPI	Home	7:00
DE	CEMBER			
I	Thursday	MOUNT IDA COLLEGE*	Home	6:00
3	Saturday	@ Salem State College	Away	8:00
6	Tuesday	TRINITY COLLEGE	Home	7:00
10	Saturday	CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE**	Home	2:00
II	Sunday	JOHNSON STATE COLLEGE**	Home	12:00
ΪΑΝ	IUARY			
7	Saturday	@ Castleton State College**	Away	2:00
8	Sunday	@ Johnson State College***	Away	12:00
IO	Tuesday	@ Becker College**	Away	7:00
14	Saturday	ELMS COLLEGE**	Home	2:00
17	Tuesday	@ Williams College	Away	7:30
19	Thursday	BABSON COLLEGE	Home	7:00
22	Sunday	@ Lesley University**	Away	1:00
26	Thursday	UMASS DARTMOUTH	Home	7:00
31	Tuesday	@ W. CT State College	Away	7:00
FEE	BRUARY			
4	Saturday	HUSSON COLLEGE*	Home	4:00
5	Sunday	MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY*	Home	2:00
7	Tuesday	AMHERST COLLEGE	Home	7:00
9	Thursday	@ Elms College**	Away	8:00
II	Saturday	BECKER COLLEGE**	Home	3:00
15	Wednesday	LESELY UNIVERSITY**	Home	8:00
17	Friday	@ Thomas College*	Away	7:00
18	Saturday	@ UMaine Farmington*	Away	3:00
21	Tuesday	NAC Quarter-Finals	TBD	
24	Friday	NAC Semi-Finals	TBD	
25	Saturday	NAC Championship	TBD	

<sup>\*\*</sup>NAC West divisional game

#### Head Coach: TBA

**NOVEMBER** 

19 Saturday

#### Women's Basketball 2005-2006

@ Salem State College

TBD

Away

20	Sunday	@ Salem State College	Away	TBD		
29	Tuesday	@ Johnson & Wales University	Away	7:00		
DE	CEMBER					
I	Thursday	REGIS COLLEGE	Home	8:00		
7	Wednesday	@ Bay Path College**	Away	7:30		
10	Saturday	CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE**	Home	4:00		
11	Sunday	JOHNSON STATE COLLEGE**	Home	2:00		
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29	Sunday	@ Mount Ida College*	Away	1:00		
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25	Saturday	NAC Championship	TBD			
**]	**NAC West Divisional games					
*N	AC game					

NAC game

Head Coach: Matthew Stein (2nd year) Assistant Coaches: Janice Coppolino (2nd year)

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